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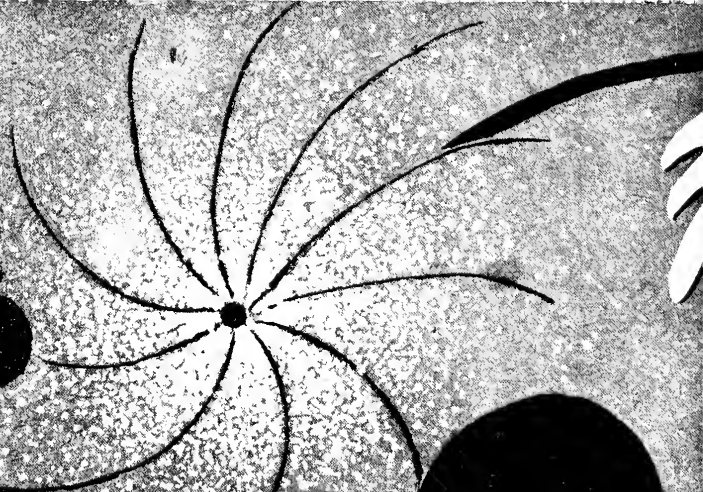
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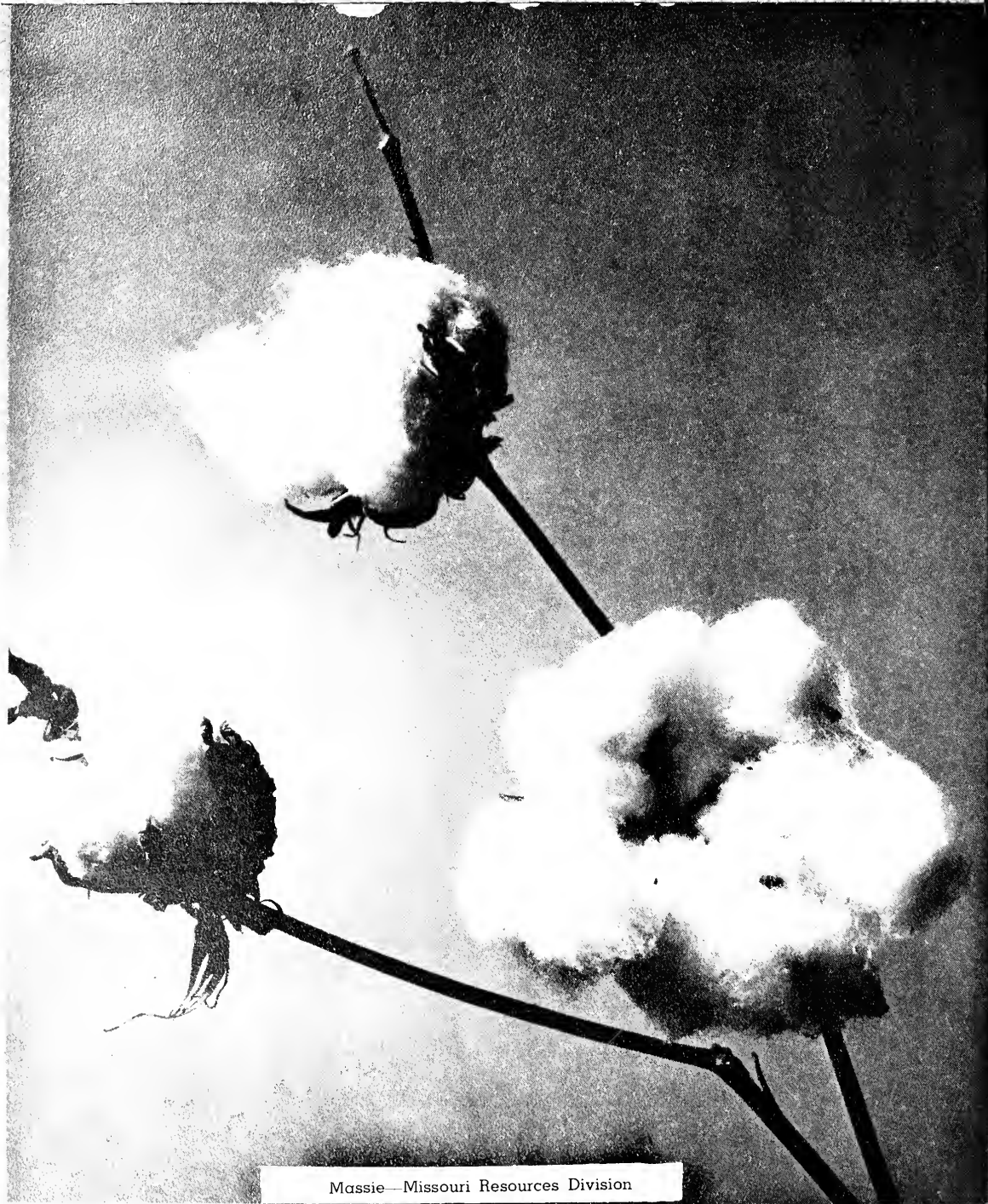
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FOREWORD



For a number of years the C.H.S. yearbook has been called "The Cotton Blossom." The appropriateness of this name given by the staff of 1917 has never been questioned by those who live in the rich cotton area of Caruthersville. Subsequent staffs have been proud to carry on the name. The present staff, however, wishing to give greater recognition and honor to this leading crop, "White Gold," has woven into the theme of its 1955 yearbook the whole cotton growing process. They hope to show their readers that just as the requirements for producing a bumper crop of cotton are good management, well prepared seed beds, fertile seed, fertilization, cultivation, and harvesting, so in a figurative sense, the same requirements are necessary for developing an outstanding body of students.

Caruthersville High School has these prerequisites; hence the stages in the production of "The Bumper Crop of '55" are presented.



OUR PLAY



NTATION



King Cotton

King Cotton, mythical king of Cotton World, hearing that the Cotton Blossom staff of C.H.S. plans to honor him by using Cotton Production as its 1955 theme, decides to visit our school. He is curious to learn how the staff will carry out the idea.

He is met by Marjorie Baker, editor of the year-book, who immediately launches into an explanation of the over-all plan. "Just take a look at our buildings, our beautiful campus, and our athletic field," begins Marjorie. "Can't you just picture a bumper crop growing here? Then, too, we have a well-staffed plantation. A six-man board of directors and two managers set the policies, hire the workers, and handle all the problems. The head manager, Mr. Cobble, with the staff for his first year, and Mr. Shelton, his assistant, are alert and progressive supervisors. To assist them in the many business matters, and other routine jobs, Mrs. Walton, the secretary, is always available."

"Well, Marjorie, so far your plan sounds feasible," remarked the King of Cotton World. "But doesn't a place of this size require a great deal of up-keep?"

MR. DELMAR A. COBBLE Superintendent



MRS. FRANCES WALTON, Secretary

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Left to right, seated: Mr. W. E. Chaffin, Mrs. Tam Markey, Mr. Fred Henley, Mr. Frank Slentz, Mrs. Frances Walton. Standing: Mr. D. A. Cobble, Mr. Bill Collins, Mr. Bill Ross.



Visits C. H. S.

"Oh, we don't have any worries there." answered Marjorie. "Otto Going, our head maintenance man is a wizard at repairing anything. To help him in his tremendous job, he is aided by Mr. Lawrence."

"What you tell me about your present setup makes me feel that your bumper crop is assured, but I can't help wondering if your producers are thinking of the predicted increase in the future crop."

"Oh, yes, they are!" exclaimed Marjorie. "With the leadership of a hard-working citizens' advisory committee, we have just voted a \$400,000 bond issue for an extensive building program."

"That's fine! Well, now Marjorie, I'm eager to learn how you're going to weave your teachers and classrooms into your cotton production idea."

"Oh, we have that all worked out too, King Cotton. Our classes are the soil or seed beds. It is here the teachers plant the seeds, and then nurture the plants through their several growing stages. Let me guide you through our classes so that you may see our 'crop' in production."



MR. EDWARD J. SHELTON. Principal



MR. OTTO GOING. Custodian and bus driver.



2,000 STUDENTS paraded for the bond issue demonstrating to the public the need for new classrooms and recreational facilities.

ENGLISH TEACHERS

Left to right: Mrs. Dorothy Mock, Mrs. Lorene Cunningham, and Mrs. Louise Parker.



A COMMITTEE OF ENGLISH I STUDENTS, Hamby, W. Collins, Warren, B. Figgins, A. Going, and Turnbow, seated before some of the posters made by their English I class.



English Offers Variety

" 'Beauty is truth, truth beauty'—that is all
Ye know on earth, and all ye need to know."

These are famous lines from one of John Keat's poems, studied by the English IV class taught by Mrs. Lorene Cunningham. In addition to English literature, the students wrote different types of themes and news articles about school activities, and presented an original assembly program on English literature and music. Parts of this program were later broadcast over the local radio station.

Besides studying grammar and literature, Mrs. Dorothy Mock's English III classes during a study of Parliamentary procedure, established clubs for the purpose of guiding discussions on teen-age problems. The members of the class also arranged bulletin board displays and carried out projects pertaining to units studied in literature.

In the four sections of English II, Mrs. Cunningham stressed theme writing. Mrs. Parker and Mrs. Mock each taught two sections of English I. In these classes they emphasized the fundamentals of grammar and literature for enjoyment.



PANTOMIMING THE BALLAD. "Get Up and Bar the Door", in an English IV assembly are Charles Roome, Joe McCoy, Ray Teroy and Carolyn Bookout.

IN THE ENGLISH IV ASSEMBLY, Helen Ball portrays the Wife of Bath, one of the pilgrims in Canterbury Tales.





SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHERS

Left to right: Mr. John McGuire, Miss Mary Ellen Horner, Mrs. Louise Parker, Mr. Thomas Mock, and Mr. Joe Parkinson.

Social Studies Put Their Learning Into Practice

The five teachers in the social studies department believe in a practical application of the knowledge they impart. After studying our system of courts, Mrs. Louise Parker and Mr. John McGuire, with their civics classes and Miss Mary Ellen Horner, with her American problems class, attended a court trial. This latter class also expressed their views on juvenile delinquency in a panel discussion for the radio public, and learned election procedure through a visit to the polls on election day. As a result of research work in the American history classes, the students presented an assembly program of living picture portraying "Christmas in America Through the Years." The geography students studied local industries by field trips to three Caruthersville plants.

In addition to the subjects already mentioned, Mr. Thomas Mock teaches two classes in world problems, Mr. Parkinson, classes in American history and Missouri history, Miss Horner, a geography class, and Mrs. Parker, a seventh grade social studies class.

THE RAISING OF THE AMERICAN FLAG at Iwo Jima portrayed during the American history assembly.

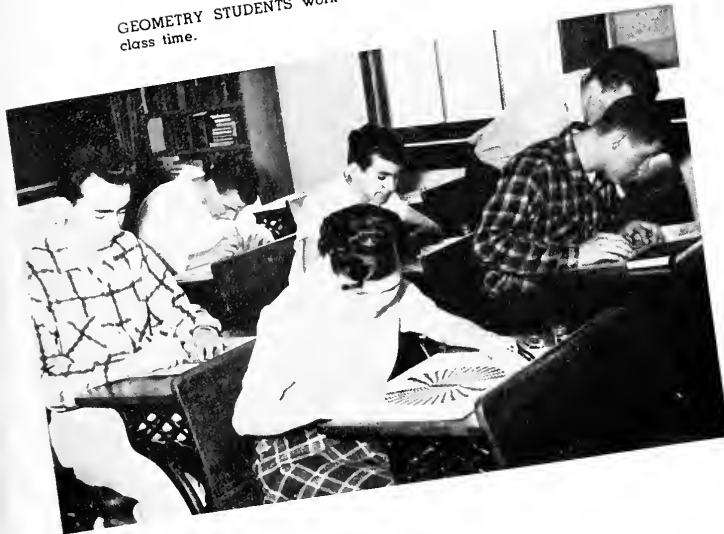


DURING A VISIT to the cotton gin, Martha Payne, Peggy Watt, and Mary Payne watch a cotton stand in operation.

MATHEMATICS TEACHER
Miss Lena Walk



GEOMETRY STUDENTS work on their geometric designs during class time.

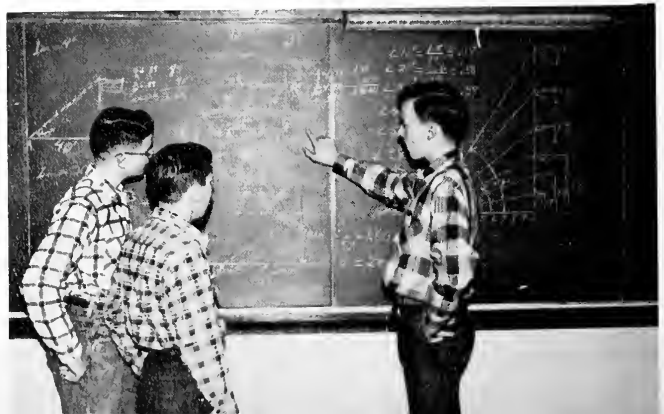


Four Math Classes Offered

Mathematics has always been essential to every student in order to prepare for a well-rounded education. Miss Lena Walk, instructor in this department, teaches students the different phases in this field. General math students gain a taste of geometry, algebra, trigonometry, and business arithmetic; Algebra I students discover the uses of x , y , z , and other letters to solve their problems. Those students taking geometry find that "plain" isn't the word that they thought it was when they use axioms, postulates, and theorems in solving their problems.

In the Open House, the exhibit in the math department showed the achievement of all the students in the above work.

IN GENERAL MATHEMATICS, Dennis Bracey, Donald Latimer, and Wintred Worsham check scale drawings by trigonometric formulas and tables.





SCIENCE TEACHER
Mr. Jack Hopke

What's Happening In The Science Lab?

"Phew! What is that awful smell?" This is a familiar remark in the halls of C.H.S. when the chemistry class is working on an experiment. Nevertheless, in spite of the smells, these experiments and study enable the students to learn the chemical composition of the products they use. The course in chemistry, taught by Mr. Jack Hopke is valuable in preparing for the study of higher sciences.

In addition to chemistry, Mr. Hopke teaches three freshman classes of general science and one course in biology and he also coaches the junior high football and basketball teams.

IN BIOLOGY, Lonnie Riggs screams, "Take it away!" as Regina Moody holds a frog up in front of her. Peggy Richards picks up a fish she is about to dissect.



(left)
AN EXPLOSIVE MIXTURE of apparently harmless chemicals is demonstrated by Robert Lynn in chemistry class.

(far left)
AFTER MAKING SHAMPOO in chemistry class, Joe Peck Hayden washes Marjorie Baker's hair to test its effectiveness.

COMMERCIAL TEACHERS
Mr. Redman Dunham and Miss Bonnie Fears



The Commercial Department Expands

The commercial department of C.H.S. has expanded its courses to include advanced typing. Our new commercial teacher, Miss Bonnie Fears, teaches the course. Besides advanced typing, Miss Fears teaches general business, shorthand, and elementary typing.

Mr. Redman Dunham, who has been with the school for a number of years, teaches bookkeeping, beginning typing, business law and business English. Commerce students have received practical training this year by taking dictation for Mr. Shelton, addressing letters for the Red Cross and typing the Senior Edition of the Tiger Rag, and watching demonstrations on various business machines.

SHORTHAND CLASS wouldn't be complete for Glenda Seabaugh, Martha Luncelord, and Tommie Lou Harry without a daily drill at the board.



SECONDS FLY and so do busy fingers during a typing rhythm drill.





INDUSTRIAL ARTS TEACHER
Mr. Harry Darr

The Industrial Arts Department Adds Courses And Equipment

To take care of the increased enrollment in the industrial arts department this year, Mr. Harry Darr, the instructor, added courses in wood and metal work, electricity, soldering, arc, and acetylene welding, and lathe work. This expansion made it necessary to buy several new pieces of equipment—among these were a new shaper, table saw, metal lathe, a wood lathe, and a drill press. These new tools and machinery were valuable in making the articles which were exhibited at Open House. Mr. Darr also teaches classes in general shop, mechanical and architectural drawings, advanced wood working and boat building.



SANDING AND REFINISHING wood seems to be keeping Bob Johnson, Audrey McCutchen, Jackie Howell, Walter Hinze, and George Hollowell busy.



IN GENERAL SHOP Cecil Tate, Carl Pool, and Bobby Figgins polish plastics while making towel holders.



IT'S ARCHERY season in P. E. Practicing are Louise Mitchum, Martha Hayden, and Jane Ball.

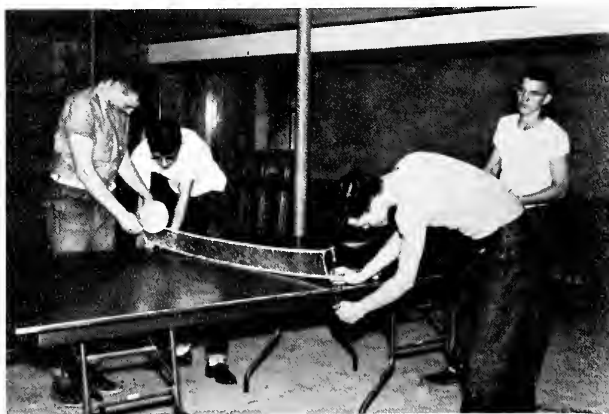
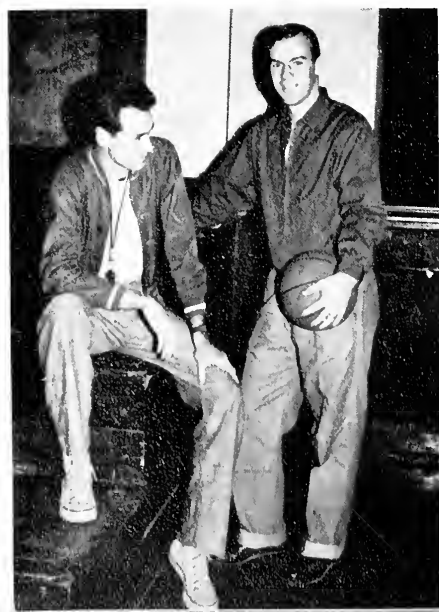
Physical Education Stresses Calisthenics And First Aid

"Oh, my back!" complains one P.E. student to another who groans and answers back, "And my poor legs! I thought I'd never make it up the steps." And why all the groans? You guessed it—the P.E. teachers are starting calisthenics. Besides this formal exercising, Coaches John McGuire and Joe Parkinson instruct the students in acrobatics, archery, volleyball, tennis, Badminton, kickball, croquet, ping-pong, shuffleboard, basketball, and baseball.

For those who are unable to take physical education, Mr. Parkinson teaches a half unit course in health. The structure of the body, the functioning of its organs, the care of the body, and first aid are phases of health which are stressed. To demonstrate their knowledge of first aid, the class presented an assembly on February 18.



FIRST AID is administered to "patients" Seabaugh, Pool, Harry, Bock, Wattle, by Bob Willis in the health class assembly.



PING-PONG is a popular feature of P. E. Jerry Caruthers, Paul Hill, Billy LaForge, and Cecil Tate are putting up the net.

(At left)
PHYSICAL EDUCATION INSTRUCTORS
Joe Parkinson and John McGuire

Speech And Spanish Dramatize Their Learning

To become acquainted with the Spanish-speaking countries, the Spanish class taught by Mrs. Artie Moodie, had many extra-curricular activities this year. To learn more about Spanish foods and recreation, the class prepared and served a Spanish supper, played Spanish card games, and played "Scrabble" using Spanish words. The featured attraction of a Christmas party was a pinata, a large container, appropriately decorated and filled with candy and cookies and prizes, which was broken to shower the party with its contents. In a school assembly, the class presented their original version of a Spanish Cinderella. The scene of the prince's ball allowed them an opportunity to show what they had learned of Spanish songs and dances. This same scene was presented over WMCT Television in Memphis.

The speech class also had a full schedule this year. After studying the drama, they presented a comedy, "The shock of His Life" to the student body and later at a District Drama Meet. Following a unit in story-telling, several students retold their stories for the benefit of the Southside students. Other subjects studied were panel discussions, pantomimes, and make-up.



SPEECH AND SPANISH INSTRUCTORS
Miss Marion Mayes - Mrs. Artie Moodie



SPEECH STUDENTS listen as Lucille DePriest presents a speech.



"WHERE IS THAT PINATA?" exclaims Libby Christian as she attempts to break it with a vicious looking bat.. Other class members watch with amusement.

THE SPANISH CLASS poses after presenting their version of Cinderella in assembly.



VOCATIONAL TEACHERS
Mr. Floyd Barnhart, vocational agriculture, and
Mrs. Dorothy Wood, vocational home economics.



REMOVING DEAD SHRUBBERY from the front of the school, is the task of Darrell Dugger, Larry McCoy, Bobby Carter, and Bobby Rogers.



"HOW MUCH FLOUR?" June Finley asks as she and Donna Faye Clark, Linda Going, Clara Ellen Hicks, and Janice Hundhausen prepare cookies for the Junior-Senior Prom.



Vocational Courses Stress Practical Knowledge

When one considers home economics, he usually thinks, "Well, that department concerns only cooking and sewing." This however, is not true. Although these are the most important phases, Mrs. Dorothy Wood, the home economics instructor, also teaches marketing, menu planning, interior decorating, home management, child care, good grooming, and many other things that are essential to a good homemaker.

Besides their work in class, the home economic students also engage in outside activities. A group of senior students attended "The Home Show" at Memphis to see all that is new in homes. They also participated in the Woman's Club Style Show by modeling dresses they made themselves.

Vocational agriculture, taught by Mr. Floyd Barnhart, in addition to its regular classroom work, stresses a home supervised farming program for each student. In 1954 the boys total net labor income was over \$7,000. This substantial income is quite indicative of the value of such education and participation.

Mr. Barnhart is not only a teacher in his field, but also has the distinction of being an author of textbooks. Sensing the need for better instructional material in the particular crops of our area, he has written two textbooks, one entitled *Cotton* and the other, *Soybeans*. Both of these books have been widely accepted by agriculture classes.



FINE ARTS TEACHERS
Mrs. Irene Hazel, art, and Mrs. Beverly
Shelton, music.

A SCHOOL ARTS article written by Mrs. Hazel
attracts Sandra Zaetsch. Sandy's design illus-
trates the article.



The Art And Music Departments — Busy Places

The annual Christmas Art Tea, given by the art department under the direction of the instructor, Mrs. Irene Hazel, was an eagerly awaited event again this year. Some days before the tea, the art students had been in a whirl wrapping Christmas packages and making door and table decorations. These, with other crafts, were placed on display for the tea.

The art students are often called upon to use their talent in many ways. In any drive or campaign they are always there with a colorful poster to encourage student interest in these activities. They also serve their time decorating for parties or assemblies.

Phases of Art I, II, or III, which the students enjoy, are basketry, leathercraft, weaving, ceramics, and jewelry, as well as designing, lettering, drawing, and painting.

The music department, after an interrupted start, finished the year in its usual manner. This was due to Mrs. Beverly Shelton, who replaced Mr. Henry O'Donnell when ill health forced him to resign at Christmas. The activities of this department are described in the section dealing with organizations.



BALANCING A MOBILE seems to be a difficult task from the serious expressions on art students Bob Reichert's and Sonny Sanders' faces.

SPECIAL MUSIC for Religious Emphasis Week is furnished by the sextette, J. Davis, S. Cobb, M. Keyes, J. Ball, and M. Camp. M. Driskill is not pictured. P. Sawyer is the pianist.



Books, Books, Books,



MRS. ARTIE MOODIE, librarian, and MRS. LOUISE BROWN, assistant.

"Can I help you find a book?" asks Mrs. Artie Moodie, of any student who seems bewildered by the numerous books found on the library shelves. Besides keeping a wellstocked library, Mrs. Moodie arranges attractive bulletin board displays to entice the students to take advantage of the variety of books offered. In addition to these displays, book reviews are given to each class, helping them to discover the pleasures to be found in reading. For enjoyment as well as reference reading, Mrs. Moodie also keeps the magazine rack well supplied. Mrs. Louise Brown supervises the study hall and assists with the library work.

Guidance Department, An Adjustment Bureau



WIDE SELECTIONS of magazines in the library interest Patricia Swiggart and Anne Going.

"I surely would like to talk to someone; it makes me feel better." Words like these often come from C.H.S. students; therefore, as an invitation for them to seek his help, Mr. Thomas Mock our counselor, always keeps the front door open. Because of this "shoulder to cry on," many students have gotten their feet on the ground, and have more easily adjusted themselves to high school life, besides thinking of plans for the future. In addition to counseling, other guidance services are offered such as testing, and vocational and educational planning.



MR. TOM MOCK, guidance counselor, looking for records to show Mary Faye Meyers and Cindia Bennett.

Adults Come Back To C. H. S.

For the first time in the history of Caruthersville, the parents, teachers, and other citizens started to school, night school, that is. For two hours every Thursday night from January 13, until April 21, the halls and classrooms of C. H. S. were filled with the clamor and noisy chatter of "grown-ups."

This night school offered six subjects. The subjects and their instructors are as follows: beginning sewing, Mrs. Wood; beginning typing, Miss Fears; bookkeeping, Mr. Dunham; general shop, Mr. Darr; arts and crafts, Mrs. Hazel; and beginning French, Mrs. Moodie.

As a result of these classes the adults learned the modern methods used to instruct them as well as their children.



BEGINNING SEWING CLASSROOM, taught by Mrs. Wood, is a busy place on Adult Education night.



ADULT STUDENTS in beginning bookkeeping are instructed by Mr. Dunham. They are: Mrs. Anna Reichert, Mrs. Clarisse Pike, Dick Murphy, Ronald Tucker, and James Jordan.



INTENT on her art project is Mrs. Leaurora Caudet, beginning art student. (In palette, at left.)

SHOP STUDENTS in the woodworking division are Mrs. Rachel Dawson, Mrs. Frances Walton, George Brown, and Jere Kingsbury.



National Cotton Council

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King Cotton Learns How Crop Is To Be Cultivated

"King Cotton, I'm wondering if you remember the old methods farmers used in cultivating their crops," remarked Marjorie. "Don't you recall that not many years ago a farmer used only a mule and a plow. But times have changed. Now he uses mechanized equipment and many new methods. He adds fertilizer to the soil; he tries cross cultivation; he uses modern equipment. All of these improvements aid in producing a better grade of cotton."

Similarly our schools are producing more well-rounded students because we have added to our old limited curricula of the three r's many extra-curricular activities. We have sports to develop the body and organizations to train leaders and followers. Our assemblies and other performances develop the talents of many students and entertain the student body. Parties and dances provide recreation, and campaigns and drives encourage giving to worthy causes. We believe all these activities will produce a much superior crop."



CAMPAIGN POSTERS and banners are put up by managers Sue Bader and Jane Ellen Markey.



THE CAMPAIGN gets into full swing as an impromptu band advertises their candidate, Barry Trainor.



ELECTION DAY, with all the trimmings, has arrived and students are assembled to hear the candidates and managers.



S. A. C. CANDIDATES for 1955-'56 relax following the election assembly. They are, from left to right: Martha Lauck, Virginia Ann White, Elizabeth Christian, and Barry Trainor.

Student Activity Committee Has Its Biggest Year



"THE PAUSE THAT REFRESHES" is enjoyed by Carolyn Bookout and Julie Hawkins, vice-president and president of the S. A. C.

OFFICERS

President	Julie Hawkins
Vice-President	Carolyn Bookout
Secretary	Ellen Wilks
Treasurer	Lee B. Jones
Reporter	Elizabeth Christian
Historian	Jackie French
Scrap Book Keeper	Jane Markey
Sponsors	Mrs. Irene Hazel
	Mrs. Lorene Cunningham

"Tennis, anyone?"

"Sure, but where do we play? On the football field?"

This lack of a good court presented a problem to our tennis-loving students. We had long wanted a concrete court, but the cost seemed prohibitive to everyone—that is, every one but our president, Julie Hawkins. To her, raising the money for a court provided a challenge—it could be one big project of the S.A.C. In the role of sponsor of this project, this small group succeeded in obtaining the cooperation of other organizations, classes and individuals to make possible this dream.

The S.A.C. sponsored many other projects this year. Freshman Week, School Pride Campaign, Christmas Baskets, Care Packages, Students of the Quarter, S.A.C. Election, April Fool's Dance, Religious Emphasis Week, Intramural Sports, Sportsmanship Banner, Honor Recognition Day are discussed on other pages. Other projects were dancing classes for beginners, noon-hour dancing in the gym, Play Night, and the printing of Student Directories for all students.

In order to democratically promote their many activities, each homeroom sends representatives to the S.A.C. meetings twice a month. The president and vice-president are elected the previous spring by popular vote, after an intensive campaign of two weeks. On election day campaign managers and candidates speak at an assembly, votes are cast, and then the entire student body waits impatiently for Honor Recognition Day when the results are revealed.

Front row, left to right: Markey, Wilks, Jones, Trainor, McClanahan, Bookout, Hawkins. Second row: Merideth, Going, Dudley, Christian, King, Kindred. Third row: Richards, Lay, Gilmore, Parrott, Mehrle, Johnson, French, Foster. Standing: Mrs. Cunningham, Mrs. Hazel.





EDITOR AND ASSOCIATE EDITOR, Marjorie Baker (right) and Janie Kindred paste up yearbook pictures.

Cotton Blossom Staff Portrays Cotton Production

"What's going to be the theme of the Cotton Blossom this year?" This was the first question up for discussion at the first yearbook staff meeting. Finally someone came up with the idea, "Why not use a theme relating to our locality? What about Cotton Production?"

The staff readily accepted this idea and immediately set to work to make overall plans. To advertise the subscription drive, the staff sponsored a Cotton Blossom Week, climaxed by a carnival at which the Cotton Blossom Queen was crowned. The business staff sold ads to local merchants to raise the remaining amount.

After the money was assured the other staffs started working on their individual problems. The photographer had to hurry to get pictures of the several cotton production stages; the literary staff had the job of relating the processes of producing a cotton crop to the processes of education and graduation of a large crop of students; the art staff was faced with the problem of finding an unusual way to illustrate the theme.

The coordinating of the work of the three staffs was not easy; but when the job was finished, the staff felt that King Cotton would be honored.



YEARBOOK SPONSORS are Miss Horner, photography, business and coordinating; Mrs. Cunningham, literary; Mrs. Hazel, art.



PHOTOGRAPHER, Jane Aquino.

ART EDITOR Charline King and assistants, Bob Reichert and Martha Lauck, work on the division pages of the Cotton Blossom.



COTTON BLOSSOM WEEK planning begins with the making of subscription tags—miniature cotton bales. Popcorn, cookies, candy, and cokes lightened the evenings' work.



STAFF

Editor
Associate Editor
Business Manager
Literary Editor
Art Editor
Sports Editor
Photographer
Sponsors

Marjorie Baker
Janie Kindred
Ray Teroy
Linda Taylor
Charline King
Sonny Sanders
Jane Aquino
Mrs. Cunningham.
Mrs. Hazel, Miss Horner

Seated at desk: Aquino, Baker, Kindred. Back row, left to right: Markey, Foster, Richardson, Christian, Lay, Lauck, White, Davis, Teroy, Finley, Streete, Zaetsch, Gilmore, Taylor, Camp, King, VanAusdall, French. Not pictured: Butler, Reichert, Sanders, Bader, Collins, Ball.



Pep Club Peps Up The Games



CHEERLEADERS, bottom to top: Bookout, Bader, Christian, VanAusdall, and Hawkins.

"Rah! Rah! Rah!" rings out from the cheering squad and the team hearing this yell, know that the Pep Club is doing its best to back them. This, the club does at all pep assemblies and athletic events, as well as advertise the games by their car parades.

Besides backing all the teams, the Pep Club carried out a number of activities. The crowning of the football and basketball queens was the highlight of all projects. Then, to replace the departing senior cheerleaders, the club sponsored an assembly in order that the entire student body could have a vote in electing the 1956 cheerleaders. The last activity was in conjunction with the "Build a Concrete Tennis Court Drive." To contribute its share of the money, the Pepsters held a bake sale which resulted in \$50.00.

OFFICERS

President	Charline King
Vice-President	Wanda Barnes
Secretary	Virginia Ann White
Treasurer	Ann Richardson
Reporter	Linda Taylor
Sponsors	Mrs. Dorothy Mock
	Mrs. Dorothy Wood

Cheerleaders, left to right: Bader, VanAusdall, Bookout, Hawkins, Christian. Front row: Mrs. Wood, Hunt, Vick, Sawyer, J. Moore, Lay, J. Dodd, L. Taylor, DePriest, Murff, C. King, Markey, Mayo, Barnes, A. Taylor, Jordan, Mitchum, White, Greer, Richardson, Avis, Clay, Mrs. Mock. Second row: Foster, Grooms, Camp, Stovall, Waldron, Wilks, Mehrle, C. Davis, Parrott, Brodie, H. Ball, Lauck, Swiggart, Burrus, Brooks, Hopke, Hughes, Meadows, Rushing, Aquino, Luncford, B. Clark, French, Baker. Third row: McAdams, Stine, D. Clark, Summers, Richards, Brock, McClanahan, Miller, Garrett, Trantham, Prost, Buchanan, Pignon, Merideth, Zaetsch, Mathenia, N. Dodd, Thompson, Woods, Roebuck, Reichert, C. Lane, Brown.



Projectionists Club

Serves C. H. S.

The Projectionists Club is a service club organized three years ago for the purpose of teaching the members how to operate the audio-visual machines of the school. Their adviser, Mr. Shelton, teaches them the operation, as well as the care of the tape recorder, public address system, slide projector, and the movie projector.

This club has been a great service to the teachers in saving them the time and effort needed in setting up the machines and in learning the operation of the machines themselves.



OPERATING the P. A. System are Ray Teroy and Jerry Butler, as a service of the Projectionist Club.

OFFICERS

President	Jerry Butler
Vice-President	Bob Willis
Secretary	Jerry Figgins
Adviser	Mr. Shelton

"PRESENTING CARUTHERSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL," weekly radio program sponsored by the Boosters Club, featured an interview by Sonny Sanders in regard to the Junior-Senior Prom. Taking part were Barry Trainor, Johnny Bratcher, Bunnie VanAusdall, Janie Kindred.



PROJECTIONIST CLUB MEMBERS, Jerry Butler, Alford Hicks, Ray Teroy, Bobby Figgins, John Finley, and Bob Willis, are gathered around the movie projector.



Front row, left to right: McClanahan, Sales, Gatewood, White, Mann, Medlin, Mr. Barnhart. Second row: Petty, Robinson, King, A. Hicks, Larry McCoy, White, Hundhausen. Third row: B. Constant, Turnbow, Carter, Dugger, Talmadge McCoy, Rogers, Barnett, Bob Constant. Fourth row: Leon McCoy, Kelley, Totty, Lyan, Payne, J. R. Hicks, Phelps.

OFFICERS

President
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Reporter
Treasurer
Sentinel
Adviser

Talmadge McCoy
Melvin Mann
Otis White
Robert Lynn
Jimmy Payne
Robert Hundhausen
Floyd Barnhart

Future Farmers Of America Enters Several Contests

The F.F.A. entered a number of contests this year. In the Sub-District Spelling Contest, the team won first place. District contests in which members entered were: Farm Mechanics, Meat Judging and Field Crop Judging.

The chapter has an impressive initiatory ceremony for its Greenhands, the freshman candidates. This ceremony, as well as their opening and closing ceremony was presented before the student body in February. On the social side, the boys honored their parents by entertaining them at a Parent-Son dinner.

The Caruthersville chapter is proud that it is a member of the National Future Farmers of America, an organization of about 400,000 members, all of whom are students of vocational agriculture.



MR. FLOYD BARNHART, adviser, presents Greenhand Johnny McClanahan his membership pin as other new initiates Barnett, Totty, Sales, Medlin, White, Petty, and King await theirs.



Front row, left to right. Coach Darr, Louis Cook, Taylor, King, Martin, Tanner, George Cook, Coach McGuire. Second row: Coach Parkinson, Edgerton, Streete, J. McCoy, Watkins, Davis, Leslie, Hicks. Third row: Bynum, Pounds, Abernathy, L. McCoy, Richards, Murff, Logan Cook, T. McCoy. Fourth row: Jones, Lay, Southern, Bartholomew, Grigory, Clayton, Trainor.

The C Club

A New Club In C. H. S.

OFFICERS

President	Robert Willis
Vice-President	Dick McGill
Secretary	Don Lay
Treasurer	George Richards
Sergeant-at-arms	Bill Grigory
Sponsors	Coaches Darr, McGuire, and Parkinson

The C Club, a newly organized club in C.H.S., wasted no time in getting to work. Their first project, the operation of the concession stand at the basketball games, had as its purpose the raising of money for a towel rental plan. This system they hope to put into operation next year.

Open to boys who have lettered in some sport, the club has as its main objective, the promotion of better sportsmanship. Another objective is to foster better understanding between themselves and the young boys entering athletics. This they will do through a big-buddy system.



THE POPCORN MACHINE, operated by Bob Tanner, was one of the C Club money-making activities during basketball season.



Front row, left to right: Miss Fears, Beecher, Richardson, Payne, A. Taylor, Markey, Bader, Hopke, L. Taylor, Davis, Wilks, Foster, Baker, C. King, DePriest, V. White, Mrs. Moodie. Second row: Brodie, Meadows, Christian, Parrott, Kindred, Bookout, Speight, Parkinson, Zaetsch, C. Hicks, McAdams, Lauck, Aquino, VanAusdall, E. Clark, French. Third row: Mathenia, Adams, O. White, J. Streete, Mollett, J. Payne, L. Jones, Lynn, P. Hill, J. Figgins, J. Bratcher, T. Streete, J. Taylor, Prost, Hawkins.

OFFICERS

President	Linda Taylor
Vice-President	Charline Brodie
Secretary	Johnny Bratcher
Reporter	Pat Meadows
Sponsors	Miss Bonnie Fears
	Mrs. Artie Moodie

Honor Society In Action

The Honor Society again sponsored a number of projects this year. The most ambitious project, that of taking over Radio Station KCRV one Saturday afternoon, was undertaken primarily for bettering public relations and also to raise money for the "Build a Concrete Tennis Court Drive." The students sold, wrote, and broadcast the advertising, reported the newscasts, and announced the programs, some of which were tape-recorded school programs; others were disc jockey programs. The manner in which the members got behind this big project and carried it through showed they had the qualifications necessary for Honor Society membership—leadership, scholarship, character, service.

Other activities carried out were: awarding a Scholarship Banner each quarter to the top ranking home room; Senior Teaching Day, when seniors took over the elementary classes; a Valentine Party; and a Who's Who Contest.



HONOR SOCIETY PRESIDENT Linda Taylor, Jerry Figgins, and Robert Lynn announce over KCRV the Saturday afternoon broadcast which the Honor Society sponsored.



Front row, left to right: White, Markey, Bader, C. Hicks, Mathenia, McClanahan, Horn, Hundhausen, J. Dodd. Second row: Hunt, Avis, Johnson, M. Clark, Payne, Highley, McCoy, DePriest, Taylor, Finley, Mitchum, Payne, J. Moore, Sawyer, Clay, Crosser. Third row: L. Going, Murft, Brenda Robinson, Grooms, D. Hicks, Waldron, Barbara Robinson, B. Clark, McTernan, Alexander, Lauch, Luncford, Stovall, Camp, Hudgins, Mayo, McAlister, Barnes, Mrs. Wood. Fourth row: A. Going, Watt, Stanfill, Lane, Stine, Bookout, Stevens, Trantham, Merideth, Buchanan, Pigman, Dodson, Parkinson, Summers, D. Clark, Reichert, Brooks, Turnbow, Swiggart.

Future Homemakers Of America An Energetic Group

What can we do with our turkey? The F.H.A. girls were having a time trying to decide what to do with a nineteen pound turkey which had been given them by the Missouri Poultry Association. Suddenly someone had the solution—a Mother-Daughter dinner! At this dinner the girls presented their emblem service in order to acquaint their mothers with the various phases of their organization.

Wanting to give the girls more than their local club could offer them, Mrs. Dorothy Wood, their instructor, took them on a number of trips. They went to the Mid-South Fair at Memphis, the Sub-District Meet at Kennett, and the District Meet at Cape Girardeau.

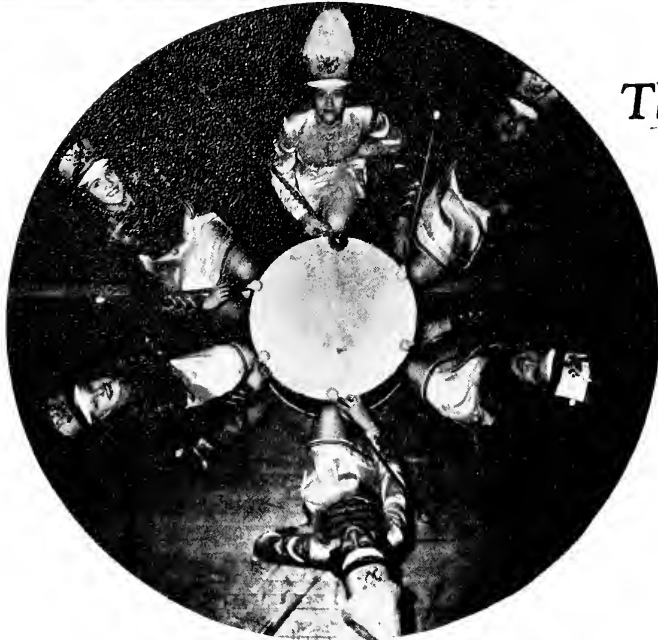
Other projects the club carried out were: decorating a booth at the county fair, sending a package overseas, bringing food for a Christmas basket, observing F. H. A. Week, broadcasting radio programs, and giving a tea in honor of the eighth grade graduates.

OFFICERS

President	Rose Dawn Mathenia
Vice-President	Phyllis McClanahan
Secretary	Virginia Ann White
Treasurer	Clara Ellen Hicks
Historian	Jane Ellen Markey
Reporter	Sue Bader
Parliamentarian	Jo Dodd
Song Leaders	Janice Hundhausen Helen Horn
Adviser	Mrs. Dorothy Wood



F. H. A. OFFICERS B. Clark, C. Hicks, Luncford, Mathenia, Hundhausen, and L. Going explain the significance of their emblem at the Mother-Daughter dinner.



The Music Department Renders Service

The music groups under the direction of Mrs. Beverly Shelton, gained experience this year by participating in various activities. At home the band marched in the pep parades, the football games, and the bond issue parade. To benefit from playing with other bands, they attended festivals at Jackson, Kennett, and Cooter.

In the choral division, there are two large groups, the mixed chorus and the girls' glee club. The mixed chorus performed for the local Kiwanis Club and both groups participated in the Massed Choral Concert at Cape Girardeau. From these two groups, smaller groups of singers were selected for other performances. A girls' sextet entered the Cape contest and also sang for Religious Emphasis Week, while a mixed double quartet performed for a Memphis TV station as well as for graduation exercises.

MAJORETTES

Clockwise, from top: Drum Major Ellen Wilks, Dorothy Miller, Sharon Zoller, Head Twirler Phyllis McClanahan, Peggy Rushing, and Betty McAdams.

THE CARUTHERSVILLE BAND, directed by Mrs. Beverly Shelton, practices in their temporary classroom, the bus garage. The music department hopes to be in a new music building by the opening of the next school year.



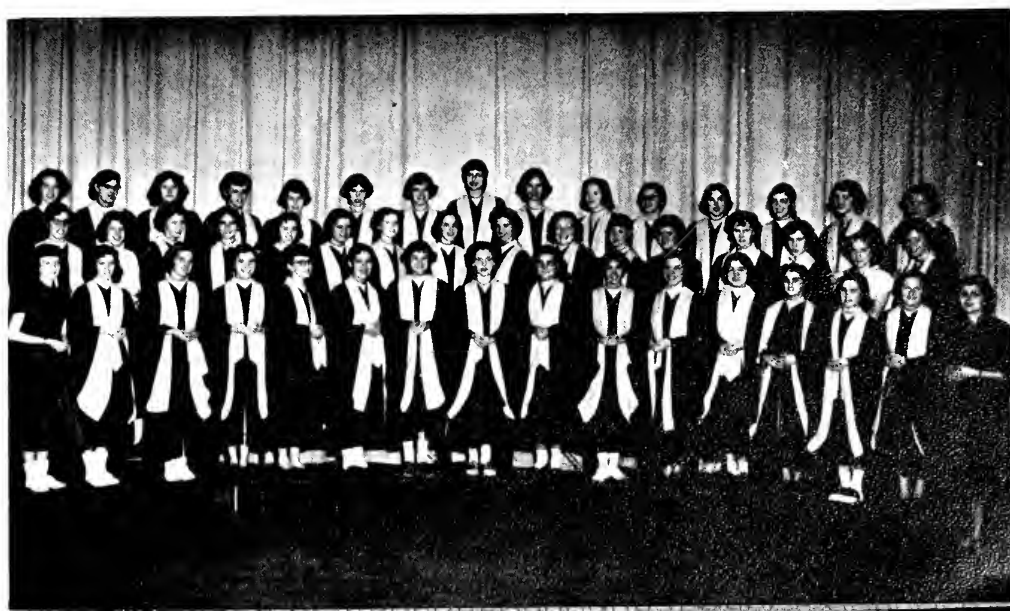
MIXED CHORUS



Front row, left to right: Vick, White, A. Taylor, Markey, French, Foster, Hopke, Rushing, Mayo, C. King, Lay, Seabaugh, Mrs. Shelton. Second row: Hill, Kindred, H. Ball, C. Lane, Roebuck, Hawkins, Pigmon, Zaetsch, McAdams, Brock, Stanfill, Brown, Davis. Third row: Seabaugh, Joslin, Abernathy, Murff, J. Figgins, Lay, B. Collins, Roomer, Grigory, Green, Jones, Richards, Butler, Tanner.

GIRLS GLEE CLUB

Front row, left to right: Sawyer, Cobb, E. Green, Payne, McCoy, Arnold, Huntley, Barbara Robinson, Boyd, J. Moore, Payne, Ferrell, Clay, Crosser, Hodge, Mrs. Shelton. Second row: Brantley, J. Davis, Brenda Robinson, D. Hicks, Driskill, Brooks, Swiggart, Watt, Turnbow, Thurman, H. McTernan, Camp, T. Young, F. Young, Bradshaw, K. Lane. Third row: Dean, D. Clark, Moody, Roebuck, G. Moore, Dunavant, Merideth, Jarrett, Buchanan, Thompson, D. King, Alexander, Keyes, A. Going, Stine.



Football Team

Wins 7 Out Of 10

The Caruthersville Tigers, who won seven of their ten games, did not allow their opponents to score a single point in half of their contests. Under the direction of Coach John McGuire, they racked up 211 points to their opponents' 83 during the 1954 football season. Caruthersville's conference record was 4-3, which made the Tigers fourth in the big Eight Conference.

Don Lay's 99 yard run for a touchdown in the Thanksgiving battle with Kennett was the longest run of the year for Caruthersville. Jim Leslie ran 91 yards in the homecoming contest while York Hughes made an 85 yard run in the game with Cape Central.



COACHES AND CO-CAPTAINS in the dressing room are Harry Darr, Jerry McClanahan, John McGuire, and Louis Cook.

Among outstanding scorings were two touchdowns made by George Cook, a sophomore. Both TDs were made in the last minute of games.

Two Caruthersville players, fullback York Hughes and tackle Bill Grigory were selected to the

Big Eight Conference first team and they received honorable mention on the mythical all-state squad. Five Tigers who received Big Eight honorable mention were: Don Lay, end; Bob Willis, tackle; Dick McGill, guard; George Richards, Center; Bob Bartholomew, quarterback; Jim Leslie, halfback.

First row, left to right: Greenway, assistant manager, Warren, Tate, Strothers, Hinze, King, C. Snow, T. Streete, G. Bynum, assistant manager. Second row: Woody, G. Cook, Edgerton, Richards, Logan Cook, Louis Cook, J. Streete, Hughes, Leslie, B. King, manager. Third row: Coach McGuire, Tanner, Davis, Martin, Trainor, Leon McCoy, Watkins, A. Bynum, Hicks, Taylor, Coach Darr. Fourth row: Nelson, manager, Southern, Lay, Bartholomew, Grigory, McClanahan, Willis, Hill, Clayton, Figgins, McGill.





YORK HUGHES breaks through again.

THE TIGERS STOP a Kennett player.



POINTS SCORED	TD	EP	TP
York Hughes	6	1	37
Louis Cook	5	0	30
Dick McGill	5	0	30
Jim Leslie	4	0	24
Bob Bartholomew	4	0	24
Don Lay	2	0	12
Jerry McClanahan	2	0	12
George Cook	2	0	12
Jack Taylor	0	7	7
Al Pounds	0	7	7
Bill Grigory	1	0	6
Giff Edgerton	1	0	6



CARUTHERSVILLE forces Kennett to lose possession of the ball on this play.



SHAK-A-ROOS could be seen as the crowd cheered and the Tigers defeated Cairo.



BOB WILLIS shaves after Caruthersville ended Portageville's winning streak. Amused onlookers are Jack Taylor, Alford Hicks, Ted Streete, Frankie Nelson, and Gene Joslin.

CARUTHERSVILLE 31—PORTAGEVILLE 0

The Tigers started the season off by breaking the 23-game winning streak of Portageville's Bulldogs 31-0 in a non-conference contest at Caruthersville September 10.

CARUTHERSVILLE 16—HAYTI 0

Caruthersville defeated the Indians at Hayti 16-0 September 17 in a non-conference event. Helping the scoring were two safeties.

SIKESTON 13—CARUTHERSVILLE 7

In their first conference battle of the season, the Tigers lost 13-7 to the Sikeston Bulldogs at Sikeston September 24. Caruthersville had a 7-6 halftime edge.

CARUTHERSVILLE 33—DEXTER 0

Caruthersville racked up 33 points against a scoreless Dexter Bearcat team at Caruthersville October 1. It was the Tiger's last non-conference game of the season.

AT HALFTIME in the homecoming battle are (left to right) Carolyn Bookout, Bill Grigory, Queen Linda Taylor, Dick McGill, Virginia Ann White, Jerry McClanahan, and Sue Chris Mehrle.





HOMECOMING QUEEN Linda Taylor presents the football to Dick McGill in an assembly program.

CARUTHERSVILLE 28—CAPE GIRARDEAU 6

John McGuire's tribe made football history as Caruthersville overwhelmed the Central Tigers at Cape Girardeau 28-6 October 8. It was Caruthersville's first victory over Central in more than 25 years.

CHARLESTON 33—CARUTHERSVILLE 12

Something went wrong in the Charleston game here October 13. Although the Tigers had a 12-7 lead at the half, the Bluejays came from behind for a 33-12 win.

MUD COVERS these football players but they are jubilant after a victory



CARUTHERSVILLE 41—POPLAR BLUFF 18

Caruthersville took an early lead and kept it to defeat Poplar Bluff's Mules 41-18 at Caruthersville October 22.

JACKSON 13—CARUTHERSVILLE 6

Jackson's Indians led the Tigers from the start in a close contest at Jackson October 29. The final score was Jackson 13, Caruthersville 6.

CARUTHERSVILLE 18—CAIRO 0

The Tigers were strong when they trounced the Cairo, Ill., Pilots 18-0 in Caruthersville's homecoming game November 5

CARUTHERSVILLE 19—KENNETT 0

In the Thanksgiving battle at Kennett, Caruthersville won 19-0 in a rough and tough battle.



CAPTAIN AND COACH Bob Willis and Joe Parkinson.

Cage Team Wins 6

Although the Tiger basketball A Team won only six of their 18 games, they lost some of their contests by close margins. Proof of this is the fact that Coach Joe Parkinson's squad scored 927 points during the season while their opponents scored 1,065.

The B Team won seven out of 15 games and racked up 668 points to their opponents' 666.

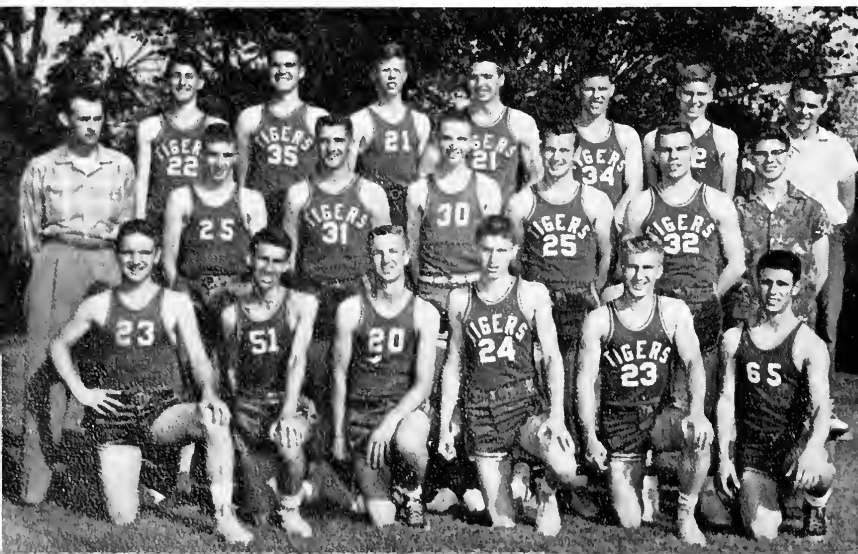
Coach Jack Hopke's Junior High Cubs won three of their eight contests and scored 277 points to 294 for their opponents.

A TEAM RESULTS

Caruthersville 31	Steele	52
Caruthersville 46	Hayti	49
Caruthersville 39	Portageville	53
Caruthersville 80	Cooter	35
Caruthersville 37	Wardell	74
Caruthersville 51	Poplar Bluff	65
Caruthersville 42	Sikeston	74
Caruthersville 56	Deering	46
Caruthersville 58	Kennett	52
Caruthersville 52	Hayti	36
Caruthersville 51	Jackson	55
Caruthersville 63	Braggadocio	61
Caruthersville 54	Bragg City	81
Caruthersville 49	Steele	66
Caruthersville 60	Holland	62

B TEAM RESULTS

Caruthersville 44	Steele	43
Caruthersville 48	Hayti	52
Caruthersville 54	Portageville	45
Caruthersville 33	Wardell	57
Caruthersville 36	Poplar Bluff	47
Caruthersville 36	Sikeston	44
Caruthersville 50	Kennett	26
Caruthersville 45	Hayti	53
Caruthersville 29	Jackson	26
Caruthersville 35	Braggadocio	26
Caruthersville 38	Bragg City	46
Caruthersville 50	Holland	66



BASKETBALL TIGERS

Front row, from left: Edgerton, Wattle, Nelson, Logan Cook, Louis Cook, George Cook. Second row: Coach Parkinson, Dean, Clayton, Collins, Darnell, Abernathy, J. Reichert, manager. Third row: L. B. Jones, Willis, Patterson, McClanahan, Grogory, Southern, Keeton, manager.

A TEAM SCORERS

	POINTS	FREE SHOTS
McClanahan	221	55.2%
Logan Cook	193	60.5%
Willis	134	52.3%
Darnell	129	55.8%
Louis Cook	83	53.8%
Grigory	64	47.0%
Jones	28	55.8%
Bartholomew	27	42.9%
Abernathy	21	53.8%
Clayton	18	66.7%
Patterson	7	
White	2	37.5%

MORRIS PATTERSON proves an aid to Caruthersville as he gains control of the ball.



THE SEASON'S OPENER finds the Tigers combating Steele. Watching the ball are Willis and Bartholomew. High in the air is McClanahan.



JERRY McCLANAHAN scores again.

CHEERING THE TIGERS to victory at a home game are these Caruthersville fans.





BERNIE LAY presents miniature basketballs to the graduating members of the team. They are Louis Cook, Bob Willis, Dale Abernathy, Jerry McClanahan, James Darnell and Bill Grigory.

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

A TEAM

Kennett Invitational		
Caruthersville	73	Hornersville 60
Caruthersville	63	Clarkton 77

Regional

Caruthersville	34	Dexter 67
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B TEAM

Hayti Invitational		
Caruthersville	41	Portageville 55
Caruthersville	67	Kennett 37



"THAT'S TWO!" shouts the crowd as Bob Willis scores during the Cooter game.



CAPTAIN BOB WILLIS crowns Homecoming Queen Sandra Zaetsch.

HOMECOMING QUEEN Sandra Zaetsch poses with her court. From left, they are: Louis Cook, Ann Taylor, Jerry McClanahan, Phyllis McClanahan, Queen Sandy, Crown Bearer Vicki McGuire, Bob Willis, Clara Ellen Hicks, James Darnell, Jane Ann Trantham and Bill Grigory.



Thinclads Are County Champs

Caruthersville's track squad, under the guidance of Coach Harry Darr, won the Pemiscot County championship for the second consecutive year and had a rather successful season.

The Tigers scored 146½ points, more than the other six teams combined. Earl Hill of Caruthersville was the high point man with wins in the low and high hurdles and with fourth place in both the shot put and discus.

The mile relay team, composed of Southern, Lay, Joe McCoy and Talmadge McCoy, tied the mile relay record of 3:44.2, which was set by Caruthersville the year before. The 880-yard relay team, made up of Hollowell, Clayton, Louis Cook, and Leslie, set a record time of 1:35.7. Hill set a 21.4 record in the 180-yard lows and a 15.9 record in the 120-yard highs.

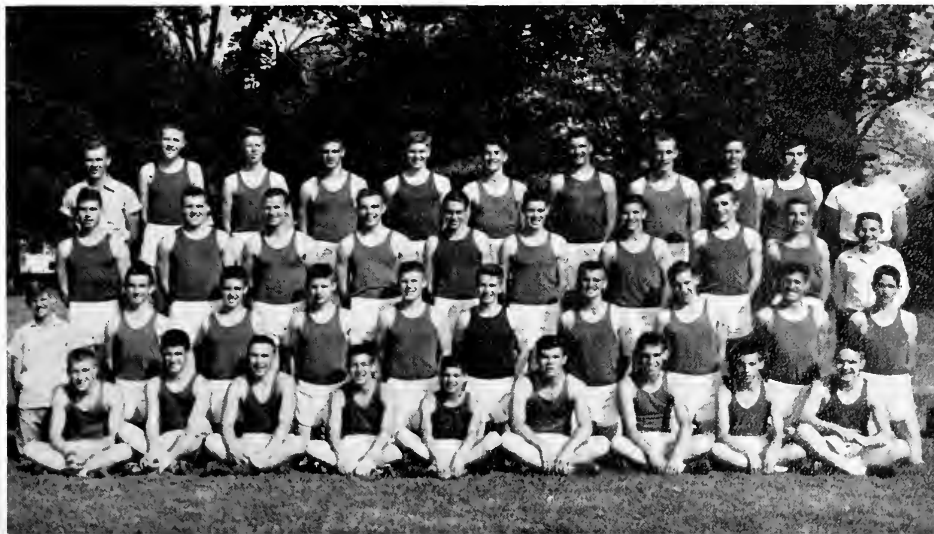


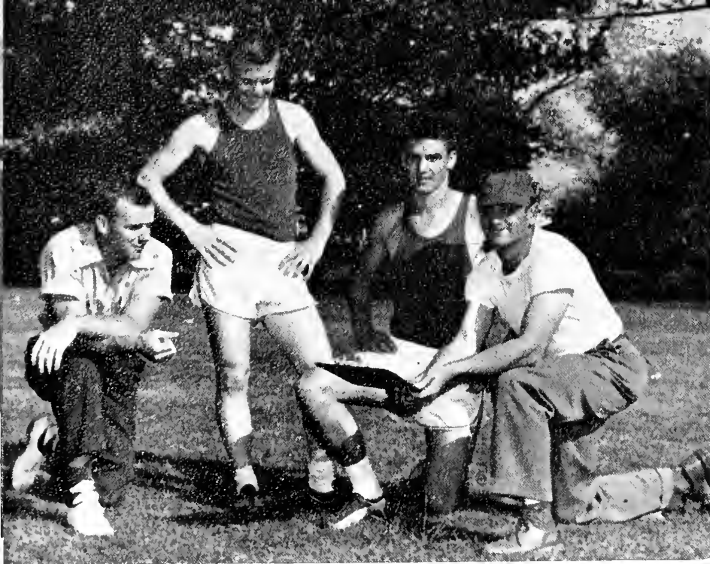
RECEIVING THE FIRST PLACE Pemiscot County championship trophy are Co-Captains Earl Hill and Joe McCoy.

The Tigers won second in the Class B state indoor meet with 26½ points, ⅔ of a point less than first place Brookfield, but later in the season they took tenth in the outdoor meet.

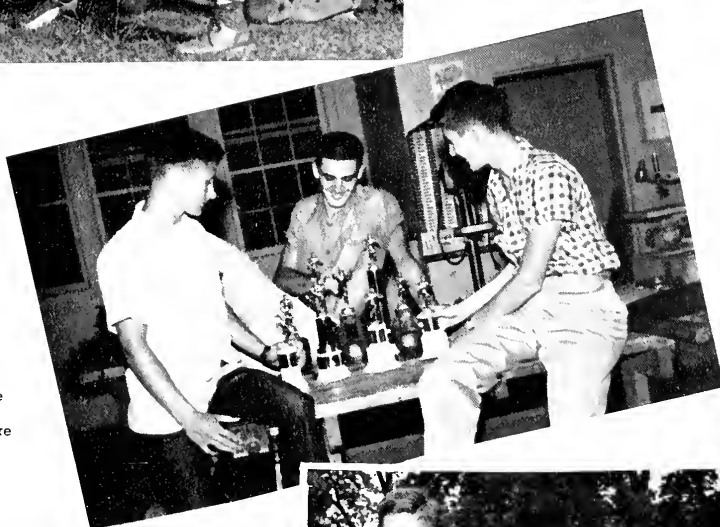
Caruthersville capped top honors at the indoor meet by getting all but the first place trophy. The Tigers won the second place trophy, and first place trophies in the mile and 880-yard relays.

First row, left to right: L. Cook, G. Cook, Collins, Sawyer, Thompson, Taylor, Hinze, Lauck, Edgerton. Second row: Manager Joe Warren, Carter, Larry McCoy, Leslie, J. McCoy, Streele, Tate, Meales, Davis, Wallace. Third row: Leon McCoy, Snow, Darnell, Abernathy, Bratcher, T. McCoy, A. Bynum, Trainor, W. Jones, Manager G. Bynum. Fourth row: Asst. Coach McGuire, Swiggart, Patterson, Hill, Southern, L. Jones, Clayton, Lay, Hollowell, Figgins, Coach Darr.





(above)
CO-CAPTAINS Joe McCoy
and Earl Hill are looking at
statistics with Coaches
John McGuire and Harry
Darr.



(right)
ALL-STATE BOYS Jim Leslie,
Earl Hill, and Lee Jones admire
various trophies won through-
out the season. Not pictured are
Talmadge McCoy and Morris
Patterson.

THE MILE RELAY TEAM was made up of Jim
Southern, Joe McCoy, Talmadge McCoy, and Don
Lay.

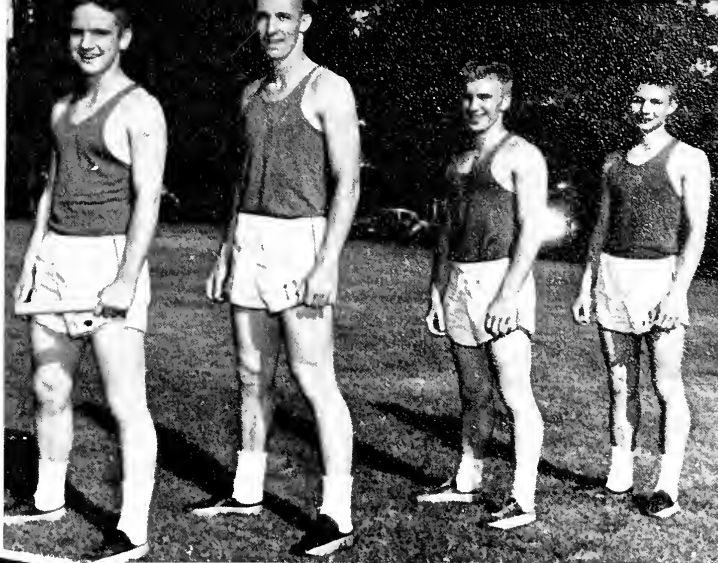


The Tigers got second place in the Big Eight Conference meet, as they did in the Poplar Bluff Relays the following week. Caruthersville also took second in the Northeast Arkansas - Southeast Missouri Invitational.

Caruthersville was bested by Charleston in the Kennett Invitational, as was the case in the three previously mentioned meets.

However, the Tigers set three new records. The mile relay team won in 3:42.7, Leslie won the 220-yard dash in 23.4½, and Hill won the 120-yard high hurdles in 16.6.

Selected on the Missouri High School Activity Association's mythical all-state team were Earl Hill, Jim Leslie, Lee Bennett Jones, Talmadge McCoy, and Morris Patterson.



(above)
CARUTHERSVILLE'S 880-yard relay team was composed of Giff Edgerton, Don Lay, Louis Cook, and Jim Leslie.



(left)
McCOYS JOIN FORCES as Joe McCoy hands off to Talmadge McCoy in the mile relay.



THE SHUTTLE RELAY TEAM was composed of Lee Jones, James Darnell, George Cook and Earl Hill.



PEMISCOT COUNTY'S first place 880-yard relay trophy is presented to Louis Cook.



LEADING Lee Bennett Jones is Earl Hill in the high hurdles of the county meet.

(right)
FORGING AHEAD is Jim Leslie to win first place in the county 100-yard dash. Following him are Louis Cook and George Cook.



AND IT'S OVER for James Darnell as he vaults an even 11'2" for a win at a track meet at Memphis.



Additions To Intramurals

With the addition of several more intramural sports this year, a point system was set up so that at the end of the scholastic year champions could be announced.

Intramural championships resulted in a tie between Miss Lena Walk's junior homeroom and Mrs. Lorene Cunningham's senior homeroom. Both rooms racked up a total of 14 points.

Tying for third were the homerooms of Coaches John McGuire and Harry Darr with 13 points. Another highscoring group was Miss Bonnie Fears' with 12.

While badminton, croquet, football, soccer, softball, table tennis, and volleyball stirred up interest, basketball was high point of the students interest in the tournament.



TYING FOR FIRST in the intramural championships were Mrs. Cunningham's senior homeroom, represented by Martha Luncelford, and Miss Walk's junior homeroom, represented by Dale Walker. S. A. C. Vice-President Carolyn Bookout presents the trophies.



(above)
SMACKING A HOME RUN is Charles Dowell during on intramural softball game. The catcher is Arlie Wattle.

(right)
C. H. S. TEACHERS give aid to an "injured" player after the basketball farce played for the benefit of the Polio Drive.



PRINCIPALS William Allison and Edward Shelton, referees, help Mrs. Lenore Muir regain the basketball from Miss Walk's intramural girl champs.





CARNIVAL CUSTOMERS Parrott, White, Edgerton, and Snow buy souvenirs from Libby Christian at the Cotton Blossom Carnival.



COLORFUL BALLOONS are sold at the Cotton Capers stand by staff members Kindred, Baker, Zaetsch, Tercy, Christian, and L. Taylor, assisted by Dudley.



MR. MOCK "SWINGS HIS PARTNER", Lois Thomas, at one of the many informal dances which followed the football games.

C. H. S. Students Dance And Play

The work and tension of the 1954-55 school year was lightened by numerous parties. The first social event was a dance honoring the Freshmen, given by the S.A.C. early in September. One of the big fall events was the Homecoming Dance, on November 9, arranged by the Pep Club in honor of the Football Queen and her attendants. As a climax to Cotton Blossom Week, observed later in November, the staff sponsored a Carnival with fun for all. The highlight of the evening was the crowning of the Cotton Blossom Queen. In keeping with the Valentine theme, the Honor Society invited the student body to a Red Hearts Dance, the first party of 1955. To offer variety in school parties the S.A.C. sponsored an April Fool's Costume Dance at which everything was done backwards. At this last all-school party, the girls invited the boys and George Hollowell was crowned "King."

VALENTINE DANCE DECORATIONS were the objective of this strange activity by Honor Society members S. Zaetsch, Miss Fears, and C. King. At left: Dancers enjoy the Valentine Dance.





STUDENTS Sandra Zaetsch, Marjorie Baker, and Charline King, serve punch at the Christmas Art Tea.



VISITORS ADMIRE the Christmas tree and gift-wrapped packages on display at the Christmas Art Tea.

Several Receptions Held This Year

In order to add to the events of C.H.S., and to entertain as well, many receptions were held this year. Just before the Christmas holidays, the art department held its annual tea at which the students displayed their work. During the holidays the S.A.C. sponsored an alumni assembly and reception for students who have graduated from C.H.S. in years gone by. In January the F.F.A. members and their parents enjoyed their annual covered dish dinner. As a new project this year the F.H.A. girls entertained their mothers at a Mother-Daughter Dinner. In conjunction with "Open House," in May, the home ec students held a reception for all visitors. Later in the same week they entertained all eighth grade girls to acquaint them with the home economics department.



PUNCH was thoroughly enjoyed at the Christmas Alumni Tea, as is indicated by Phyllis McClanahan's refilling the bowl.

"M-M-M GOOD" says Allard Hicks at the F. F. A. Parents-Son Dinner.




TURKEY AND TRIMMINGS were tasty at the F. H. A. Mother-Daughter Supper.




Students Dig Into Their Pockets

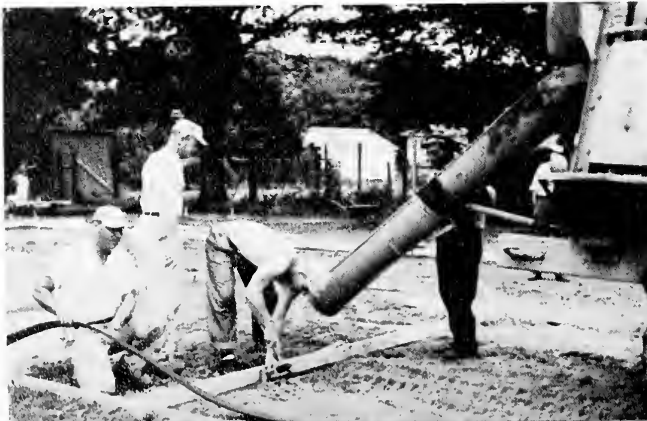
Again as in previous years, the students of C.H.S. contributed to many worthy causes. In some cases they contributed money; in others, they contributed time and work. The four classes started the year by collecting money for four Care Packages. This project was sponsored by the S.A.C. as their social service project. As a good will project, homerooms contributed toys and food to Christmas baskets which were distributed to needy families. During January the homerooms made the Polio Drive a success. By sponsoring candy sales, box suppers, and other money making projects, they raised the sum of \$280. In the same month, the students contributed to the Red Cross and signed the scroll. The last drive, in April, was the Tennis Court Drive—a new project sponsored by the S.A.C. In order to raise money for a concrete court, the various organizations sponsored different projects to raise the amount of \$450.



S. A. C. REPRESENTATIVES Ellen Wilks and Lowell Foster attempt to read letter in German received from a recipient of one of the S. A. C. Care packages.



PACKING the homeroom Christmas baskets for needy families are Charles Snow, Wayne Phelps, and Cecil Tate.



THE CONCRETE for the tennis court is poured by Otto Going, Coach Darr and Coach McGuire.

Special Weeks Observed

1954-'55 was a school year of many special weeks in C.H.S. Early in September the S.A.C. sponsored a Freshman Week to acquaint the freshmen with the various organizations and to let them see a little of high school life. In October, the S.A.C. sponsored a School Pride Week when the students wrote essays and made posters, the S.A.C. presented several skits in assembly, and those students who wished to pledge themselves to take more pride in their school signed the School Pride Pledge Scroll. Similarly conducted was a Courtesy Week, in November. The most courteous boy and girl were recognized, a poster contest was held, and skits were presented by each homeroom in an assembly. In March, for the first time in C.H.S., a Religious Emphasis Week was held. During the noon hour special services were held, with students of all faiths participating. This was an inspiring week for the students of C.H.S.



EXHIBITING their prize-winning School Pride posters are Carolyn Bookout, first prize, and Martha Lauck, second.



"CAR MANNERS" was the prize winning skit presented by Miss Walk's Junior Homeroom for the Courtesy Assembly. Actors are Jack Streete, Libby Christian, and Barry Trainor.



BIG SISTER Ellen Wilks pins tag for Freshman Week on newcomer Mary Emma Merideth.

RELIGIOUS EMPHASIS WEEK participants are Glenda Seabaugh, Linda Going, Bob Bartholomew, Libby Christian, Jackie French.





GRADUATES Helen Hinchey and Ann Sawyer and President Julie Hawkins participate in the Christmas Alumni Assembly.



MR. DUNHAM, M. C., welcomes to the Alumni Reception Mrs. John Sawyer and Mrs. Myrtle Long, graduates of the early 1900's, and Mr. Lee Rood, one of the first high school teachers in Caruthersville.

The Student Body In Assembly

The students of C.H.S. enjoyed many assemblies this year. Most of the programs were presented by various classes and organizations of the school; however, three assemblies were presented by Southern School Assemblies. One was a science program on liquid air; the other two were athletic demonstrations on roller skating and trampoline.

During the fall and winter seasons pep assemblies for football and basketball predominated. Other assemblies through the year were: Spanish play, Cotton Blossom and Thanksgiving assemblies in November; the play "Girl Crazy," presented by Hayti High School, Safe Driving and Christmas assemblies in December; F.H.A., English IV, Health, Speech assemblies in February; F.F.A. program in March; selection of new Cheerleaders in April; Honor Recognition Day, May 6.



"CINDERELLA" is presented in Spanish by Libby Christian, Jackie French, Jerry Lyell and other class members.



A HILARIOUS SCENE from the play "Shock of His Life" is enacted by Speech class members Louis Cook, Rachel Green, Glenda Seabaugh, Kate Garrett, Charles Roome, Larry Gilmore.



KEY CLUB MEMBERS Reichert, Finley and Butler demonstrate the operation of the telebinocular machine by which they gave eye tests to all students.



HARLAN GARNER attends class by means of the home-to-school telephone.

New Things Around School

"May I have your attention please?" These were the words heard by the students of C.H.S. at the beginning of each homeroom period, as someone prepared to make an announcement over the new intercommunication system. Not only did this new system save time and energy, but it also allowed activities of C.H.S. to be carried on with more efficiency.

In the front hall of C.H.S. is a new trophy case. This badly needed addition was a gift from the Key Club, an organization of boys sponsored by the Kiwanis Club. Although the club is not a school organization, it does much of its work in behalf of the school. A noon hour patrol duty project and the operation of the telebinocular machine were two invaluable services of the club to high school and Southside students.

Another addition to C.H.S. is a home-to-school telephone system which was financed by the Rotary Club. With the aid of the telephone, Harlan Garner, a sophomore, was able to participate in his classes and thus keep up with his school work, although illness prevented his attending school the entire year.



ANNOUNCING on the new intercom system are Virginia Ann White, and Bob Bartholomew.



THE NEW TROPHY CASE, Key Club gift to C. H. S. is admired by club members T. Streete, Trainor, Gilmore, President Finley, J. Streete, Leslie.



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ARVEST



1955 COTTON BLOSSOM QUEEN

GERTIE
LOU
JOHNSON



DANCING with her escort Earl Hill, Queen Gertie Lou flashes one of her winning smiles.

Judges Pick The Cream Of The Crop

"Well, Marjorie, after seeing the modern methods used in cultivating your crop, I'm ready to hear about your harvest," remarked King Cotton. "In this big yield, have you thought of selecting any prize cotton for exhibition?"

"Oh, yes, we have, King Cotton," replied Marjorie. "Our year book staff went over the field and picked the cream of the crop. We had no trouble in selecting candidates from each class for Cotton Blossom Queen. The four candidates were presented in an assembly. The judges made their decision, but it was not announced until November 19, the night of the Cotton Blossom Carnival. While everyone was enjoying the gay carnival spirit, the Emcee opened the seal of the envelope to reveal the judge's decision. There was enthusiastic applause as Editor Marjorie Baker crowned Gertie Lou Johnson, Cotton Blossom Queen for 1955."

COTTON BLOSSOM BEAUTIES: Bunny VanAusdall, Martha Buchanan, Queen Gertie Lou, and Sonja Vick.



AS EDITOR Marjorie Baker crowns Gertie Lou Johnson Cotton Blossom Queen, little Cathy Hopke, crown bearer, gives her look of approval.



WHILE escort Earl Hill watches, Associate Editor Janie Kindred presents Queen Gertie Lou with her bouquet.



LINDA TAYLOR
1955
Football Queen

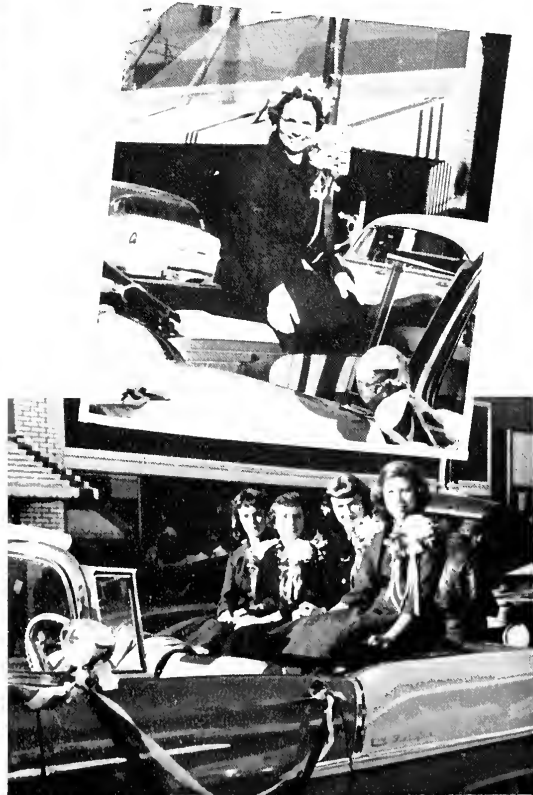
More Exhibition

"Those samples you just showed me would win a prize anywhere," commented the King of the Cotton World. "But surely in your bumper crop you could find more than four beautiful samples for exhibition."

"Of course, we could," Marjorie replies. "Our beauties are not limited to the year book queen and her attendants. We have some more prize samples to display as the cream of the

QUEEN LINDA and her attendants during the football parade honoring them.

QUEEN LINDA and her court. From left: Virginia Ann White, Carolyn Bookout, Linda Hopke, and Sue Chris Mehrie.

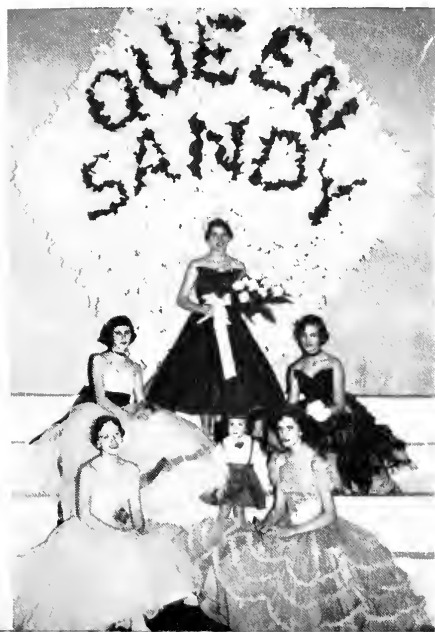


Samples Selected

crop. They are the football and basketball queens and attendants. Voted on by the football boys, Linda Taylor was crowned queen on Homecoming Night, November 5.

Sandra Zaetsch, the 1955 Basketball Queen, was chosen by the basketball team. Robert Willis presented her with the crown on the night of the Homecoming Basketball Game, January 28."

QUEEN SANDY and her court. From left: Ann Taylor, Phyllis McClanahan, Sandra Zaetsch, Clara Ellen Hicks, Jane Ann Trantham. Seated before Queen Sandy is little Vicki McGuire.



SANDRA ZAETSCH
1955
Basketball Queen

BASKETBALL QUEEN SANDRA and her attendants with their escorts, Louis Cook, Jerry McClanahan, Robert Willis, James Darnell, and Bill Grigory.



The First - Picked

King Cotton seemed well pleased with the exhibition samples but he was curious to know about the harvest.

"Now Marjorie," he questions, "after selecting your exhibition cotton, what about the first-picked, the crop that is prized so highly? Has it been harvested yet?"

"Oh, yes," replied Marjorie, "experts went over the field and selected our most valued samples. Among the samples of our first-picked crop were students who had won distinction in school or in community contests."

The Students-of-the-Quarter and of the Year were the boys and girls who were most outstanding in leadership, service,

"CONGRATULATIONS," says Julie Hawkins to Marjorie Baker, best actress, Charline King, best supporting actress, Phil Kelly, best supporting actor and Jerry Pierce and Jerry Figgins who tied as best actors, in the S.A.C. sponsored Play Night.



SELECTED to attend Boys' and Girls' State are Elizabeth Christian, Jerry Figgins, Lee Jones, and Janie Kindred. Barry Trainor is not pictured.



VOICE OF DEMOCRACY winner Mary Ann Walker receives recognition from Mr. Shelton.

"FIRST PRIZE" ribbon identifies Sue Carter's prize winning Halloween window painting.



STUDENTS-OF-THE-YEAR are Lee Jones, Carolyn Bookout, (third in position) and Julie Hawkins (fourth in position). Charline King, Jack Streete, and Jerry Butler (not pictured) are Students-of-the-Quarter.



Crop Rates High

and participation. The students chosen for the Sophomore Pilgrimage, Boys' and Girls' State and D.A.R. Award were selected for their citizenship traits. In the field of home economics an award was given to the girl ranking highest in a homemaking test and in the Woman's Club Style Show, cash awards were presented to girls whose dresses were judged the best made.

In the field of art, students winning the Halloween Window Painting Contest, the School Pride and Courtesy Poster Contest, were honored. Students won awards also for the best essay on School Pride, for the Voice of America, and for the Legion of Foreign Wars Auxiliary.

In dramatics, students winning the best actor and actress awards were given medals, and the best supporting actor and actresses were given certificates.



SCHOOL PRIDE ESSAY winners are Patty Sawyer, Carolyn Davis, Mary Parkinson, and Charline King.

HOME ECONOMICS WINNERS in the Woman's Club Style Show are Linda Taylor, third, Jane Ellen Markey, first, and Patty Sawyer, second.



RECEIVING Betty Crocker Award from Mrs. Wood is Linda Taylor, Home Economics student.



RECEIVING a "1" rating in the District Art Contest is something to be happy about says Carolyn Davis, Charline King, Martha Lauck, Kay Summers, Ann Richardson, and Sandra Zaetsch.



THE WINNERS, Barry Trainor, president, and Libby Christian, vice-president, are congratulated by Julie Hawkins, outgoing S. A. C. President.



Outstanding Students Recognized

The last week of school brought surprises for everyone. On Honor Recognition Day, May 3, an assembly was held to honor outstanding students in many events and contests.

Awards were presented to winners of athletic events, District Music Contests, District Art Contests, Legion Auxiliary Essay Contest, Babe Ruth Sportsmanship Contest, and Harper's Watch Contest.

Recognition was given to the new members of the Honor Society, students who were chosen to attend Boys' and Girls' State, honor graduates, students making the honor roll for three quarters, those having perfect attendance, students of the quarter and of the year, and the D.A.R. best citizen. Announcement was also made of the '55-'56 F.H.A. president and vice-president.

Finally came the long-awaited announcement—the announcement which would reveal the secret of next year's student president. After what seemed like hours Julie announced the winners—Barry Trainor, president, and Libby Christian, vice-president.



BABE RUTH SPORTSMANSHIP awards are presented to Talmadge McCoy and Linda Taylor by Mr. Shelton.



THE WATCH she has just won is admired by Marjorie Baker and Coach Hopke. It is a senior award given by Harper's Jewelry.

THE MOST VALUABLE athlete of the year award is presented to Louis Cook by Key Club President, John Finley.





MODELS OF HOMES, the work of architectural drawing students, is inspected by parents and other guests.



MODERN DESIGNS of art students interest visitors. They are described by Phyllis Terrell.

Open House Brings Interested Visitors

C.H.S. opened its doors to approximately 250 parents and patrons on the night of May 9 when the school held its annual Open House. As the guests entered they registered and were given a directory. Their first stop was the gym, and who could blame them? The beautiful well-constructed boats, the living room and dining room suites, the many cabinets, tables, shelves, and lamps made by the boys in the industrial arts department would attract anyone. From the gym some went immediately to the art department where paintings, designs and all kinds of handicrafts were exhibited; others visited the colorful and varied displays of projects and class work in the class rooms. During the evening everyone found his way to the refreshment table in the home economics department. Students in home ec., modeling the dresses they had made, also served as guides during the evening.

Since all teachers were in their rooms Open House offered an excellent opportunity for them to meet parents and other guests.



VISITORS at Open House marvel at the boat made by Bill Grigory.



GEOMETRY DESIGNS and other work of the mathematics department is admired by parents and friends.

"Spring Fantasy" Theme Of Junior - Senior Prom

On the night of April 29, the juniors, seniors, and their guests gathered in the gymnasium to enjoy the annual Junior-Senior Prom. The theme "Spring Fantasy," carried out in the beautiful light-blue ceiling, the pastel-colored trees, flowers and birds, the quaint wishing well, the decorated refreshment table, and the inviting chairs and benches, created a spring-like atmosphere.

In these enchanting surroundings, the guests danced to the music of Jimmy Judson's band. For the floor show, Charline King sang "Blue Moon" and the young dancing class of Mrs. Bush gave several selections.

PITCHING PENNIES in the wishing well are Bill Watkins, Janice Hundhausen, Shelby Privett, and Larry Graham.

THE ROSE TRELLIS entrance invites Jerry Butler and Barbara Crosser into the Junior-Senior Prom.



SPARKLING PUNCH and tasty cookies attract Bob Bartholomew, Virginia White, and Tom Thompson. They are served by Diana Holloman, Melba Driskill, and Mary Elizabeth Highley.



End Of School Means Picnics

Again this year the seniors had their annual "sneak" day. Accompanied by Mr. Cobble, Mr. Dunham, and Otto Going, sixty-nine seniors left early on May 5 for Magnolia Beach, Reelfoot Lake. After crossing the ferry, they soon arrived at the beach where they spent the day eating, swimming, boating, surf board riding, sun bathing, and just having a good time. They returned that afternoon tired and blistered, the results of a hot day and a wonderful time.

The underclassmen were not so fortunate as the seniors. On May 12, at Magnolia, they were rained on until they were finally forced to return home a drenched and bedraggled group.



SUNNING on the dock at Reelfoot are Bob Book, Ray Teroy, Pat Meadows, Louis Cook, Julie Hawkins, and Dick McGill.



REELFOOT LAKE visitors were these members of the graduating class on their annual "sneak" day.

"I GET TO ROW!" yells Carolyn Bookout as Jo Dodd, Wanda Barnes, and Carolyn step into the boat.





REV. C. F. COOK, who delivered the Baccalaureate sermon, can be seen at the left of the mixed chorus, directed by Mrs. Edward Shelton.

The Crop Is

A little worried, slightly nervous, thrilled, proud and overwhelmed were the graduating seniors of C.H.S. on the night of their Baccalaureate Service, May 8. However, as they began to realize the significance of the occasion, they gave their attention to the invocation given by the Reverend Idamae Keeton, the music of the mixed chorus, and the sermon of Reverend Cook on "Getting Acquainted With Yourself."



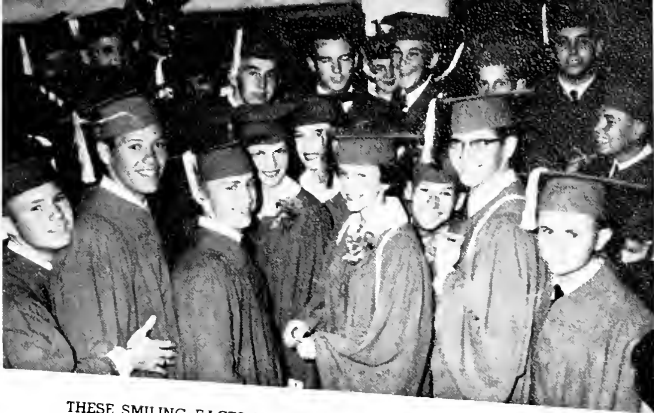
SOLEMN AND SERIOUS, the seniors enter the auditorium for Commencement.



(above)
MAIN SPEAKERS at Commencement: Marjorie Baker, Carolyn Bookout, and Linda Taylor.

SENIOR AWARD WINNERS: Carolyn Bookout, home economics; Charline King, art; Linda Taylor, citizenship; Ellen Wilks, commerce; Julie Hawkins, music. Not pictured: John Finley, citizenship; Bob Johnson, industrial arts; Louis Cook, athletics.

Harvested



THESE SMILING FACES belonged to seniors as they congregated in the hall of C. H. S. after the Baccalaureate Service.

Before the class could realize it, Thursday night, May 12, had arrived and it was time for Commencement. As a whole the class was less nervous than at the Baccalaureate Service—that is, all but those seniors who were to take part on the program. However, as they mounted the rostrum, their sense of responsibility gave them assurance and the program began. President George Richards delivered the welcoming address, and introduced the speakers. Carolyn Bookout talked on "For This I Am Grateful"; Linda Taylor, "This I Believe"; and Marjorie Baker, "For This I Hope." Besides the talks, musical selections were rendered by Charline King, Julie Hawkins, and the double mixed quartette. Then the long awaited moment arrived—they were on the stage to receive their diplomas. After receiving awards and singing the school song for the last time, the 69 members of the graduating class marched out to the strains of Pomp and Circumstance." Some were sad, others glad, and some were relieved—the night was over.



"HURRAH, IT'S ALL OVER " is what Jerry McClanahan and Earl Hill seem to be thinking.



THE DOZEN HONOR GRADUATES were Baker, Hawkins, Mathenia, Parkinson, Bookout, Zaetsch, Meadows, Aquino, Wilks, Taylor, King, and Joe Reichert, who isn't pictured.



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CROP



Freshmen

Start As Seedlings



"How are your four classes going to get into this cotton production?" King Cotton asks Marjorie. "To begin with," she replies, "We are calling our freshmen, the 'Seedlings.' At the first of the season they begin to appear through the ground. By careful tending, they branch out into well-developed young plants. Just as the farmer sees in his seedlings a good crop, so do we visualize in our freshmen the prospects of a future bumper crop."

The following seedlings were outstanding in their class:

S.A.C. Representatives:

Mary Emma Merideth, Anne Going,
Sue Chris Mehrle, Lowell Foster.

Cotton Blossom Queen Attendant:

Martha Jane Buchanan

Football Queen Attendant:

Sue Chris Mehrle

Basketball Queen Attendant:

Jane Ann Trantham

April Fool King:

George Hollowell

Mrs. Parker's Homeroom:

Intra-mural Sportsmanship Award

FRESHMAN CLASS OFFICERS (left to right)

President	Jerry Thompson
Vice-President	Jerry Malone
Secretary-Treasurer	Patty Sawyer
Reporter	Chris Figgins

SPONSORS

Mrs. Louise Parker
Mr. Floyd Barnhart

Mrs. Dorothy Mock
Mr. Joe Parkinson



MR. COBBLE INSTRUCTS Freshmen Lowell B. Foster and George Hollowell on how to use the new inter-com system.

PAT AVIS
LARRY BARNETT
CINDIA BENNETT
MILTON BERRY
DAVID BISHOP



DENNIE BRACY
FRANKLIN BRATCHER
JERRY BRITTON
MARTHA BUCHANAN
ROSALIE BROOKS



WAYNE BURCH
DIXIE BURTON
MARTHA CAMP
EUGENE CARNELL
CHRIS CHITWOOD



REBECCA SUE CHRISTIAN
BONNIE SUE CHURCHILL
DORSEY CLARK
MADELINE CLAY
JERRY COLEMAN



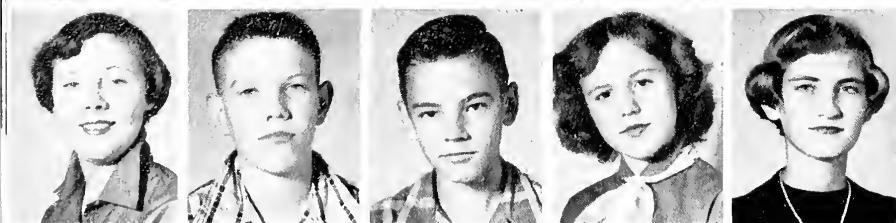
WAYNE COLLINS
NORMA COUNCE
DARLINE CRUM
DONALD DEPRIEST
RUBY DOOLEY



"FRESHMAN OF THE WEEK" Award is given to Sue Chris Mehle for her prize-winning slogan during Freshman Week. Barry Trainor, S. A. C. representative, presents it as a climax of the Freshman Party.



BOBBY FIGGINS
CHRIS FIGGINS
LOWELL FOSTER
ANNE GOING
GEORGIA GOODALE



VIVIAN GROOMS
FRANK HAMBY
WAYNE HARDY
ORA LEE FISHER
DOROTHY HICKS



MARY ELIZABETH HIGHLEY
WALTER HINZE
BETTY HODGE
DIANA HOLLAMAN
GEORGE HOLLOWELL



JACKIE HOWELL
JANICE HUDGINS
MARY SUE HUNT
JEAN HUNTLEY
GEORGE HUTCHISON



PRISCILLA JOHNSON
WENDELL JONES
KAY LANE
MANFORD LAUCK
DONALD LATIMER



Freshmen

WHILE BETWEEN CLASSES, polite Freshman Jerry Thompson turns on the water fountain for classmate, Patty Sawyer.



RUTH McALISTER
JOHN McCLANAHAN
LAVONE McCORMICK
GLENDA McCOY
JAMES McCULLOUGH



AUDREY McCUTCHEN
LILA McDOWELL
HELEN McTERNAN
JERRY MALONE
PATRICIA MALONE



PETE MEALES
DON MEDLIN
SUE CHRIS MEHRLE
MARY EMMA MERIDETH
MARY FAYE MEYER



SUE MEYER
JAMES MITCHELL
WANDA MOODY
JUDY MOORE
MARTHA MURFF



CHARLES PETTY
DICK PROST
DON ROBERTSON
BRENDA ROBINSON
RONALD SALES



AIDING IN ASSEMBLY on liquid air is Freshman Billy Sawyer.

FRESHMEN NOT PICTURED

Douglas White, Thomas Wooley, Jerry Allen, Shirley Nolin, Eddie Wyatt, and Bill Young.



BILLY SAWYER
PATTY SAWYER
JOHN RAY SHEPARD
HERMAN STROTHERS
BARBARA STINE



BARBARA JEAN STOVALL
KAY SUMMERS
PATRICIA SWIGGART
STEVE TATE
WICKY TAYLOR



PHYLLIS TERRELL
JERRY THOMPSON
LARRY THOMPSON
LARRY THRASHER
HASSLE TOTTY



JANE ANN TRANTHAM
JUDY TURNBOW
MELBA TURNER
WAYNE WALLS
MIKE WARREN



WINFORD WORSHAM
DONNA WALDRON
DON WALLACE
MARTHA WILSON
RUDY WHITE



Freshmen

BUSY TALKING AT THEIR LOCKERS, are Freshmen Sue Chris Mehrle and Patty Sawyer.





Sophomores Become Squares



SOPHOMORE CLASS OFFICERS (left to right)

Treasurer	Ruth Hughes
Reporter	Dorothy Miller
Secretary	Nancy Dodd
Vice-President	Sue Bader
President	Robert Jackson

"When a cotton plant reaches a certain stage in growth, little buds called squares form on the plant," explains Marjorie. "As you know, King Cotton, this stage is important because it indicates that the plant is growing out of the baby stage and changing into a more mature and stable plant. So it is with our second stage, the sophomores, whom we are calling the squares. They, too, are growing out of the fresh, young, green stage into a more mature stage."

SPONSORS

Miss Mary Ellen Horner
Mr. Jack Hopke Mr. John McGuire

Some of the larger squares were:

S.A.C. Representatives:

Connie Parrott, Joe Johnson,
Jane Ellen Markey.

Cheerleader:

Sue Bader

Football Queen Attendant:

Linda Hopke

Basketball Queen Attendant:

Ann Taylor

Cotton Blossom Queen Attendant:

Sonja Vick

Best Actor Award:

Jerry Pierce

Honorable Mention for Best Actress:

Demetra Reeves

First Place District Music Contest:

Linda Hopke

School Pride Essay Contest:

Carolyn Davis



IN A SCENE from "The Rose Garden," the sophomore play presented for Play Night, are Jerry Pierce, Nancy Dodd, Robert Jackson, standing, and Dorothy Miller, Demetra Reeves, seated.



EDDIE ADAMS
BETTY JEAN ALEXANDER
SUE BADER
PAT BEECHER
MARGARET BOYD



MARY ALICE BRADSHAW
BILLY BROWN
MARY ANN BROWN
GRACILE BRUCE
JERRY CARUTHERS



GERALD CLAYTON
SHIRLEY COBB
BILLY COLLINS
GEORGE COOK
LOGAN COOK



BARBARA CROSSER
TOMMY CURTIS
CAROLYN DAVIS
JANE DAVIS
JIMMY DEAN



LOLA DEAN
NANCY DODD
MELBA DRISKILL
DARRELL DUGGER
JO ANN DUNAVANT

SOPHOMORES NOT PICTURED

Nancy Ferrell
Carolyn Jackson

TWINS. TWINS. TWINS. and all in the sophomore class. Top to bottom, Faye and Thelma Young, Martha and Mary Hayden, Mary and Martha Payne.





GIFFORD EDGERTON
NANCY FOSTER

Sophomores



DEMETRA FRANKLIN
JERRY GAMBLE



HARLAN GARNER
LARRY GRAHAM



EVELYN GREEN
DENNIE GREEN



MARTHA HAYDEN
MARY HAYDEN



"JUST A MINUTE" says Billy Collins to Billy Townsend as he eagerly reaches for his slice of cake. Billy Brown, Dennie Green, and Joe Johnson hungrily await their turn. Mr. Hopke's home-room has just won the Cotton Blossom subscription campaign.

J. R. HICKS
PAUL HILL
LINDA HOPKE
RUTH HUGHES
JUNE HURLEY



ROBERT JACKSON
JOE JOHNSON
LEE JONES
ELVIS JONES
BILLY KING





DORIS KING
TOMMY KING
WAYNE KING
BETTY McADAMS
BARBARA MCGILL



LARRY McCOY
JANE ELLEN MARKEY
DOROTHY MILLER
JAMES MITCHELL
BOBBY MOLLETT



GENETTE MOORE
BARBARA ARNOLD
SHIRLEY ODOM
CONNIE PARROTT
MORRIS PATTERSON



MARTHA PAYNE
MARY PAYNE
GARY PEBLER
WAYNE PHELPS
JERRY PIERCE



CARL POOL
JO ANN PROST
CAROLYN REEL
DEMETRA REEVES
MARY REICHERT

MISS HORNER'S HOMEROOM has just won the prize for having the most parents at Open House. The students are Tate, Caruthers, Hughes, Reichert, Snow and Mollett.





ANN RICHARDSON
BILLY JOE ROBINSON

Sophomores



BOBBY ROGERS
WAYNE SEABAUGH



KENNETH SERGENT
CHARLES SNOW



DON SNOW
MARY ETTA SPEIGHT



TED STREETE
CECIL TATE

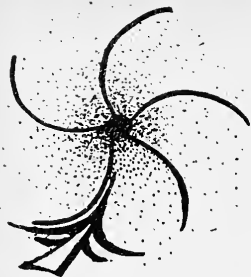


COTTON BLOSSOM FESTIVITIES are encouraged by Ted Streete at the fishing booth. Fishing are Sophomores Ann Richardson, Nancy Foster, and far right Giff Edgerton.

ANN TAYLOR
BARBARA THOMAS
AGNES THURMAN
BILLY TOWNSEND
SONIA VICK

PEGGY WATT
ARLIE WATTLE
DON WOODY
FAYE YOUNG
THELMA YOUNG





Juniors Blossom Out



"From the squares emerge the blossoms—our juniors," Marjorie continues. "They come into a most important stage. Throughout the year they grow and work, storing up energy for their final stage."

Some of the blossoms distinguished themselves as:

S.A.C. Representatives:

Janie Kindred, Lee B. Jones,
Libby Christian, Jerry Dudley,
Jackie French, Barry Trainor.

Cotton Blossom Queen Attendant:

Bunnie VanAusdall

Football Queen Attendant:

Virginia Ann White

Basketball Queen Attendant:

Clara Ellen Hicks

Student-of-the-Year:

Lee Bennett Jones

Cheerleaders:

Bunnie VanAusdall, Libby Christian

S.A.C. Presidential Candidates:

Libby Christian, Martha Lauck,
Virginia White, Barry Trainor.

Best Actor Award:

Jerry Figgins

Girls' State:

Janie Kindred, Libby Christian, alternate.

Boys' State:

Barry Trainor, Jerry Figgins,
Lee Bennett Jones.

Voice of America Essay Contest:

Mary Ann Walker

Intramural Champions:

Walk's Homeroom

JUNIOR CLASS OFFICERS

(left to right)

Secretary	Otis White
Vice-President	Martha Lauck
Reporter	Johnny Bratcher
President	Bution Clark
Treasurer	Billy Watkins

SPONSORS

Mis Lena Walk

Mr. Thomas Mock

Miss Bonnie Fears



(right)

DECORATING FOR THE PROM is quite a task
Juniors Southern, Woods, Bartholomew, and
Murff work on the wishing well.

PAT ALLEN
JANE BALL
BOB BARTHOLOMEW
MARTHA BRANTLEY
JOHNNY BRATCHER



PAT BROCK
BONITA BURRUS
JERRY BUTLER
ALVIN BYNUM
JERE CAMP



BOB CARTER
ELIZABETH CHRISTIAN
BUTION CLARK
DONNA CLARK
MILDRED CLARK



MARION CLARK
BOBBY CONSTANT
BILLY CONSTANT
INIS DANLEY
LEWIS DAVIS



CAROLYN DODSON
CHARLES DOWELL
JERRY FIGGINS
CAROLYN FINLEY
JACKIE FRENCH



FITTING SENIOR RINGS is one of the most exciting events during the junior year. Junior Dowell, Jones, Lay, and Keyes are admiring theirs



LINDA GOING
LORITA GREER
BILLY GREENWAY
JIMMIE GRIGORY
ALFORD HICKS



CLARA ELLEN HICKS
CAROLE HILL
JANICE HUNDHAUSEN
CURTIS JAMES
CAROLYN JONES



LEE BENNETT JONES
GENE JOSLIN
MARY JORDAN
MIKE KEETON
MODELLE KEYES

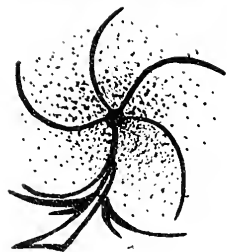


JANE KINDRED
JUNE FINLEY
MARTHA LAUCK
DOROTHY LAY
JIM LESLIE



JERRY LYELL
ROBERT LYNN
BARBARA MALONE
LEON McCOY
KAY McCULLOCH

Juniors



BETTYE McTERNAN
JOHNNIE MARTIN

LOUISE MITCHUM
REGINA MOODY



HERBERT MURFF
FRANKIE NELSON
PEGGY NOLIN
JIMMY PAYNE
SHELBY PRIVETT



PEGGY RICHARDS
LONNIE RIGGS
NANCIE ROEBUCK
PEGGY RUSHING
SONNY SANDERS



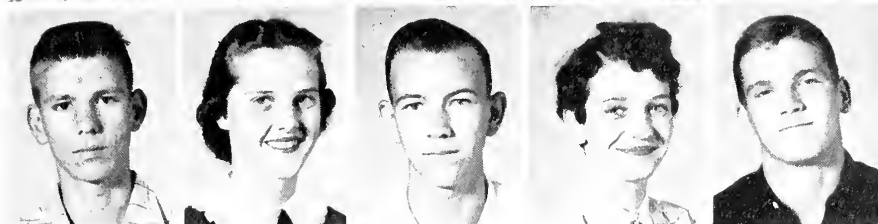
LAQUITA SHERWOOD
JIM SOUTHERN
MELBA STANFILL
BETTY STEVENS
JACK STREETE



DICK SWIGGART
BOBBY TANNER
JANET THOMPSON
JACK TAYLOR
BARRY TRAINOR



JOE TURNBOW
BUNNIE VAN AUSDALL
DALE WALKER
MARY ANNE WALKER
BILLY WATKINS



PEGGY WHEELER
JOE WHITE



VIRGINIA ANN WHITE
MAXINE WOODS

JUNIORS NOT PICTURED

Jerry Dudley, Larry Ferrell, Billy La Forge, Otis White, Harry Godsey, Dickie Murray, and Anne Phillips.



Seniors Reach The Final Stage — The Bolls



"Now, King Cotton, you are about to see the last stage in our crop production," concludes Marjorie as she shows him the sixty-nine seniors. "Just as cotton progresses through its various stages to reach maturity, so do the seniors reach their final goal, also. As bolls, they are now ready to be picked by the colleges, homes, businesses, and communities for work throughout the nation and the world. With the guidance and instruction of their foremen, they have developed and matured in knowledge and skills."

SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS (left to right)

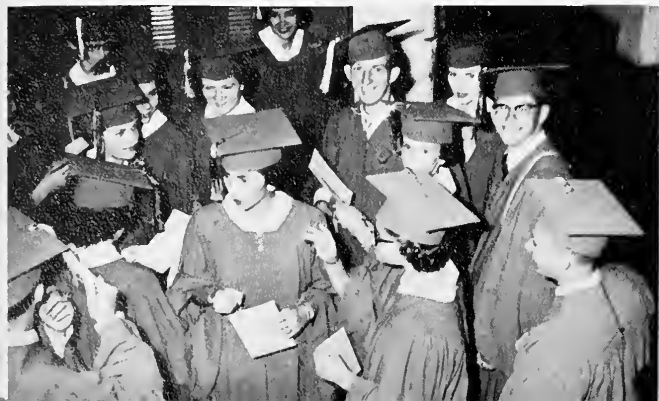
Gertie Lou Johnson	Reporter
Gracile Pigmon	Secretary
George Richards	President
Donald Lay	Treasurer
Helen Horn	Vice-President

Collective honor won by the bolls:

Yearbook Drive—100%
Intramural Championship—Cunningham's
Homeroom
First Place Play Night
First Place S.A.C. April Fools' Specialty
Scholarship Banner—one quarter

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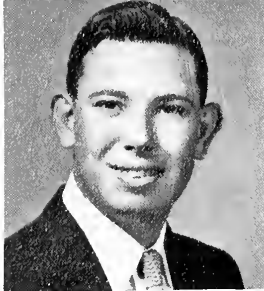
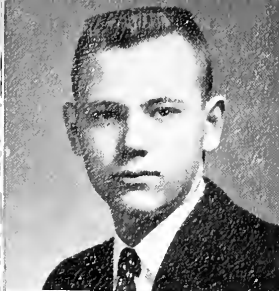
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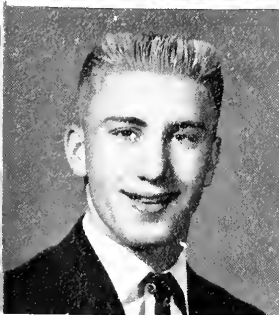


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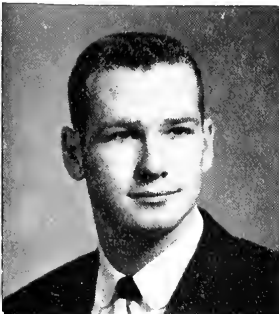


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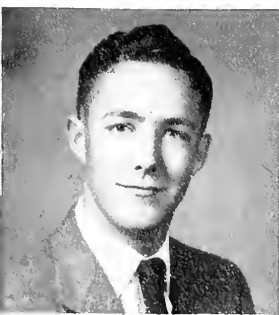


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Basketball, Track, Varsity C Club.

JO DODD

Pep Club, F.H.A. Parliamentarian.

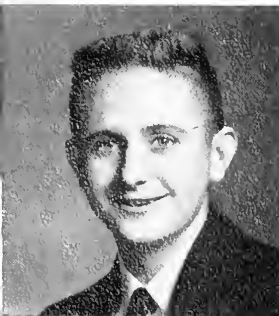


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Band, Yearbook Staff, Projectionist Club President, Key Club President, Junior Play, Operetta, Student-of-the-Quarter, Senior Citizenship Award.

LUCILLE DEPRIEST

F.H.A., Pep Club, Honor Society.



BOBBY GATEWOOD

F.H.A., Track, Sophomore Play.

KATE GARRETT

F.H.A., Pep Club, Band, District Drama Contest.

EARL HILL

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LARRY GILMORE

Key Club, Yearbook Staff, District Drama Contest, S.A.C., Band.

TOMMIE LOU HARRY

JERRY GREEN

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JULIANA HAWKINS

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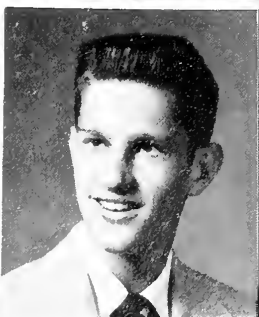
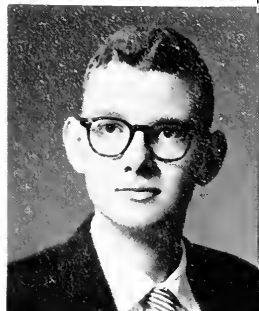
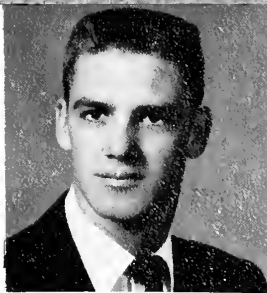
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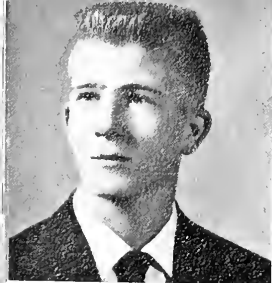
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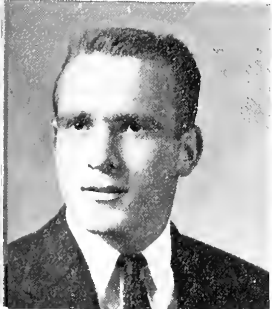
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F.F.A.



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Majorette.



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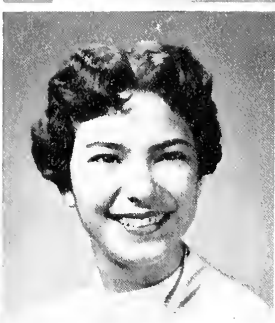
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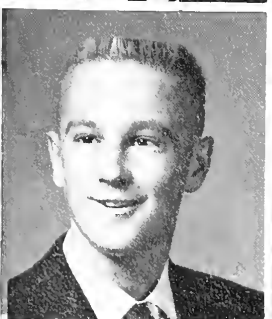
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GERTIE LOU JOHNSON

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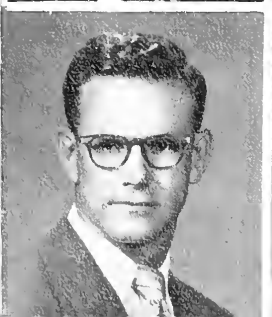
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Senior Play, Best Supporting Actor Award, Sophomore Play, F.F.A.



CHARLINE KING

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F.H.A. Pep Club.



BOBBY JOHNSON
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F.H.A. Vice-President.

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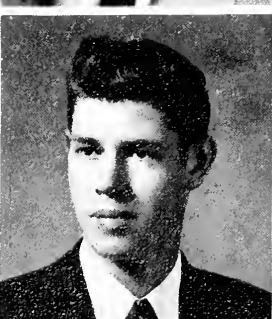
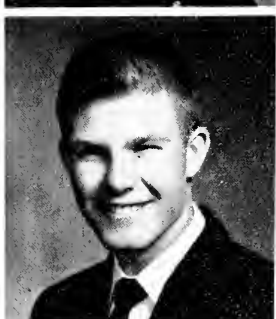
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Varsity C Club, Football Captain, Track, Basketball—All-County Team, Band, Junior Play.

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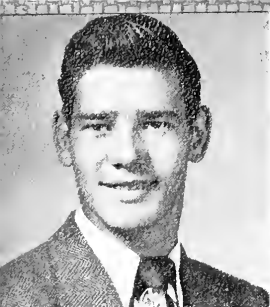
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Football—Honorable Mention Big Eight Conference
Team, Track, Varsity C Club Vice-President.

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Track—All-State Team, Football, Babe Ruth Sports-
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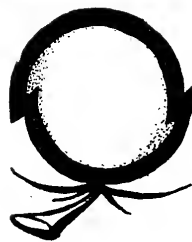


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SHELBY MAYO

F.H.A., Pep Club, Band, Operettas, Junior Play.

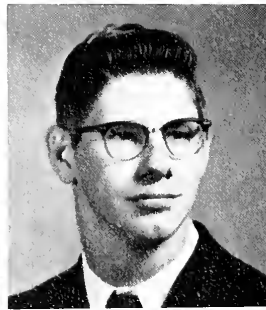
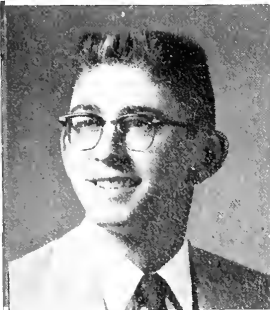


PAT MEADOWS

Honor Society Reporter, Pep Club, S.A.C., F.H.A., Freshman Basketball Attendant, Operettas, Honor Graduate.

GRACILE PIGMON

Pep Club, Band, Senior Class Secretary, F.H.A., Girls' State, Sophomore Play, Operetta.



BOB REICHERT

Key Club Reporter, District Art Contest, Yearbook Art Staff, Window Painting Contest First Place Winner, Student-of-the-Quarter.

JOE REICHERT

Honor Society, Varsity C Club, Basketball Manager, Track, Tiger Rag Staff, Band, Honor Graduate.

CHARACTERS in the winning senior play, "Op-o'-me-Thumb," are Marjorie Baker, Sandra Zaetsch, Charline King, and Helen Ball. Phil Kelley and Carolyn Bookout are not pictured.



GEORGE RICHARDS

Key Club, S.A.C., Varsity C Treasurer, Senior Class President, Football—Honorable Mention Big Eight Conference Team.

CHARLES ROOME

Tiger Rag Staff, District Drama Contest, Double Octet.

GLEND A SEABAUGH

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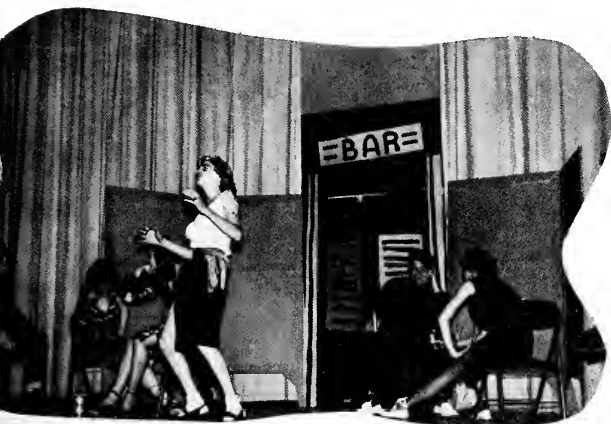
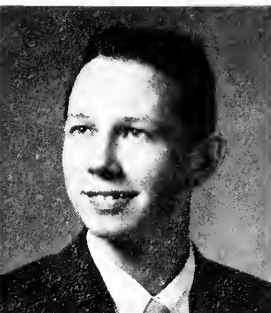
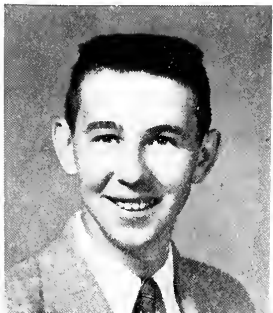
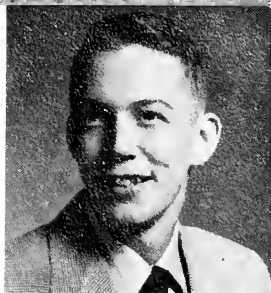
Honor Society President, Pep Club Reporter and Treasurer, Yearbook Literary Editor, Sophomore Class President, Betty Crocker Homemaker Award, D.A.R. Citizenship Award, F.H.A., Football Queen, Freshman and Sophomore Football Attendants, Sophomore Pilgrim, S.A.C., Tiger Rag Staff, Operettas, Babe Ruth Sportsmanship Award, Honor Graduate, Senior Citizenship Award.

CLARK STONE

Football, Basketball.

RAY TEROY

Key Club, Projectionist Club, Boys' State, Yearbook Business Manager.



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LEE ALBERT WOODS
F.F.A.

JERRY VANCE
Key Club.

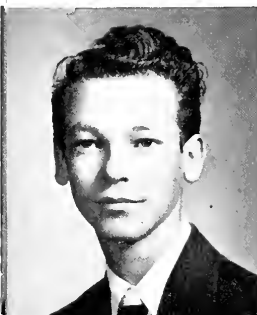


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ROBERT WILLIS
Football—Honorable Mention Big Eight Conference Team, Basketball Captain, Track, Varsity C Club President District Art Contest.

DONALD YOUNG



PAUL WALKER
Transfer from Memphis—Skaters' Club, Sportsman Club, R.O.T.C., Wrestling.

ELLEN WILKS
Majorette, Drum Major, Sophomore Class Vice-President, Junior Class Play, S.A.C. Secretary, F.H.A., Pep Club, Honor Society, Operettas, Honor Graduate, Senior Commercial Arts Award.



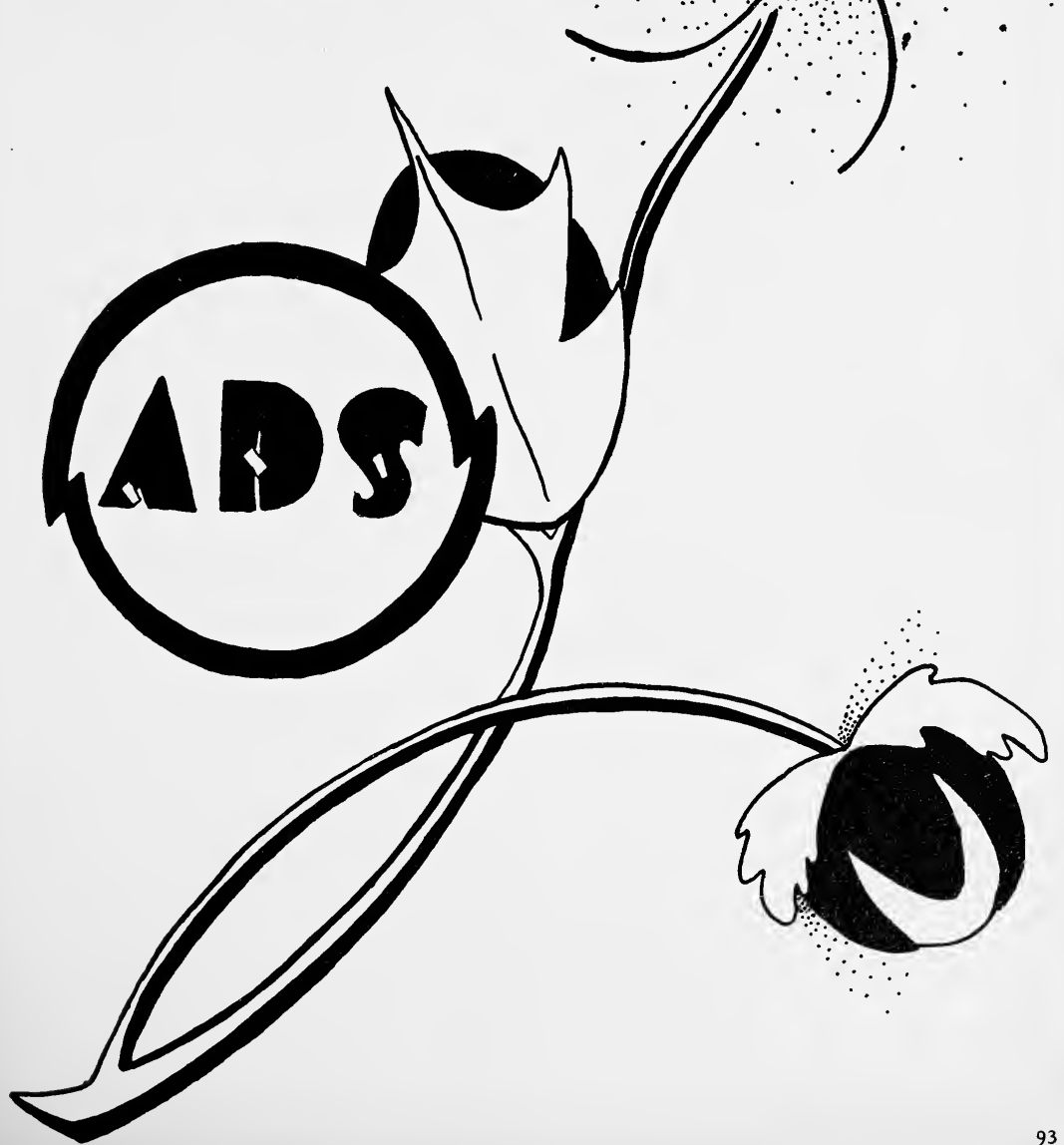
SANDRA ZAETSCH
Honor Society, Pep Club, Yearbook Staff, Tiger Rag Staff, District Art Contest, Basketball Queen, Sophomore and Senior Plays, Honor Graduate.

SHARON ZOLLER
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Sue Chris Mehrle
Best all-round boy Jerry Thompson
Best all-round girl Patty Sawyer

SOPHOMORES

Boy most likely to succeed Eddie Adams
Girl most likely to succeed .. Jane Ellen Markey
Wittiest boy Jimmy Dean
Wittiest girl Nancy Dodd
Handsome boy Giff Edgerton
Prettiest girls Betty McAdams and
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Best all-round boy George Cook
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JUNIORS

Boy most likely to succeed Lee Bennett Jones
Girl most likely to succeed Martha Lauck
Wittiest boy Jerry Butler
Wittiest girl Carolyn Dodson
Handsome boy Jerry Dudley
Prettiest girl Libby Christian
Best all-round boy Jerry Butler
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Girl most likely to succeed Marjorie Baker
Wittiest boy Joe Peck Hayden
Wittiest girl Carolyn Bookout
Handsome boy Earl Hill
Prettiest girl Gertie Johnson
Best all-round boy Larry Gilmore
Best all-round girl Julie Hawkins







